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10 schoolgirls die in Afghan clashes

NEW DELHI, May 26 (Agencies) — At least 10 schoolgirls, 30 of them girls, were killed in an estimated 800 injured in street demonstrations and clashes with Afghan forces in Kabul during the last two days, travelers reaching here said Monday. I saw very many dead bodies of my students being brought to their homes with bullet marks... their faces disfigured or with marks of beating and torture," an Afghan teacher at Kabul University said. The teacher, who asked not to be named, said that the government militiamen have been bused to house searches and are killing young people indiscriminately. The university, colleges and schools are closed, no one is attending, except for a few of pro-Karmal students, the rest have fled to the street to fight the Russians out of country," the teacher who was accompanied by her husband and two children said. They arrived on an Ariana Afghan Airlines plane and plan to stay in India until "the Russians are kicked out of Afghanistan." French businessman said at least 20 students were "killed or wounded" when the

students ambushed them in the bazaar (market) area in Kabul Wednesday.

"Usually we do not go to the market after sundown, but on Wednesday I had to go. Suddenly I heard rattling of automatic weapons... there was confusion, someone said that the students had attacked Russians. I ran for cover... I saw ambulance vans carrying the Russians. I am not sure if they were dead or just wounded," she said.

On the same day, seven girls were killed by Afghan militiamen in Kabul, she said. "Since the big April 27 demonstration and firing, the students have been carrying out demonstrations practically every day." She paused and counted on her finger and added, "At least five different demonstrations were held on Wednesday... all near the university. We heard that the government troops opened fire on the girls."

She confirmed that the government militiamen were using "electric cattle prods" to beat up the student demonstrators. "It is a long thing... gives you terrible pain," she described the prods and said she had seen the militiamen using them on the demonstrators.

Israelis seal Arab houses in West Bank

TEL AVIV, May 26 (Agencies) — Israeli troops sealed two houses and one apartment in the occupied West Bank city of Nablus as punishment for the firebombing of an Israeli bus, the military command announced Monday.

There were no injuries in the bombing incident but the military government meted out the collective punishment in accordance with a recent "tough hand" policy in the occupied territories. A statement said the people who threw the firebombs had lived in the dwellings that were sealed. The policy was instituted after a bloody Palestinian ambush on May 2, in which six Israelis died and 16 were wounded in Hebron. The military government also expelled Hebron's Mayor Fahd Oawameh; Hebron religious judge Sheikh Tamimi and nearby Halhoul Mayor Muhammad Mithelm following the attack.

On Sunday the army appointed the deputy mayors to replace the deportees. Hebron Deputy Mustafa Natshe and Halhoul deputy Muhammad Hijazi Majadeh have said they would only act as mayors until the deportees return.

The deportees brought their case to the United Nations which condemned the expulsions. When they attempted to return to the West Bank via the Allenby Bridge from Jordan they were locked and Israel said the mayors would never be allowed back.

Earlier the municipal council of Gaza sent telegrams to U.S. President Jimmy Carter, United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin protesting against Israeli plans to build six new Jewish settlements in the occupied Gaza Strip.

Mayor Rasbad Shawa said the decision to build the settlements was a blow to peace. "It does not create suitable conditions for co-existence between Jews and Palestinians and is cruel and inhuman," he said.

Five killed in Lebanese town of Zouk

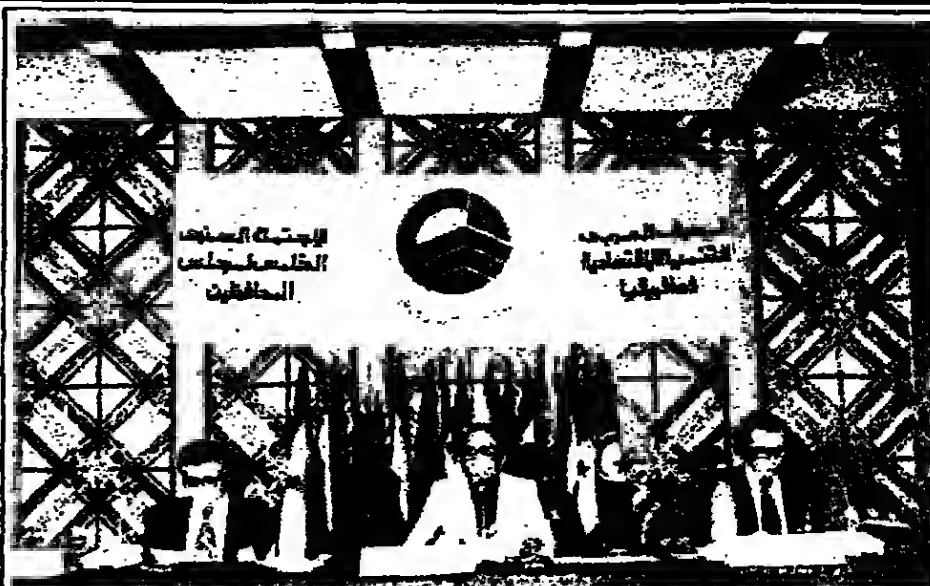
BEIRUT, May 26 (Agencies) — At least five civilians were killed and 15 wounded Monday during a rocket duel between rival groups of conservative Christian militia fighting for control of Zouk, a village 40 km north of Beirut, conservative sources said.

According to sources close to the conservative Phalangist Kataeb party, whose forces hold the village, the fighting started after an attempt was made to infiltrate it by former President Suleiman Franjeh's Marada militia.

It was Marada rocket fire on Douk and the adjacent villages of Nisreh, Dahr, Abi-Yaghi, and Mayfouk that killed the five civilians, the sources said. By noon Monday all fighting in the area had ceased, reliable sources reported.

Relations deteriorated between the Kataeb party and Franjeh's Marada after his son, Tony, was murdered by a Phalangist commando in June 1978 and he himself withdrew from the coalition of conservative parties forming the Lebanese front. The Marada, who subsequently drove the Phalangists from northern Lebanon, have been accused by the Kataeb party of seeking to extend their territory further south.

Police was unable to determine the cause of Monday's flare-up but confirmed a ceasefire effected since 0900 local time (0700 GMT). The right-wing Phalangist radio accused rival rightist militias supporting Franjeh of responsibility. Earlier Monday, the radio said a pro-Franjeh armed group tried to infiltrate the region but was repulsed by army troops.



The board of BADEA governors at their 5th annual meeting.

Kingdom is largest shareholder

BADAE loans drop 15%

By Larry Elliott

JEDDAH, May 26 — The Arab Bank for Economic Development in Africa (BADEA), an Afro-Arab effort to strengthen economic, financial and technical cooperation, recorded a 15 per cent drop in total dollars loaned during 1979, according to the bank's annual report received here Monday.

The report blamed "a relative exhaustion of project possibilities," a slow development period for some agricultural projects, and political upheavals in some African countries for the decline. Bank loan commitments to eight African countries during 1979 totalled \$49.07 million (U.S.). The \$49 million figure is well below the \$66 million average loaned from 1975 through 1979.

The bank, which works closely with other Arab financial institutions, lists the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia as its largest shareholder, with slightly more than 24 per cent of the BADAE shares. Saudi Arabia's share of the bank's \$738.25 million in subscribed capital as of Dec. 31, 1979, was \$180 million. BADAE's board of directors consists of 11 members representing Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the United Arab Emirates, Syria, Iraq, Algeria, Palestine, Qatar, Libya, Morocco and Egypt, although Egypt's membership was suspended during the fifth annual board of director's meeting in April of 1979.

Organized in accordance with decisions made at the 1973 Arab summit conference in Algiers, BADAE began operations early in 1975. The bank is unusual among world banking institutions in that its capital flows largely from Arab League countries to members of the Organization of African unity not included in the Arab League. The bank's five-year commitment to 32 of 40 African countries eligible for assistance totalled \$331.68 million as of Dec. 31, 1979. BADAE continued to work closely with other Arab development institutions during 1979, the report says, with 46 per cent of its financial commitments, amounting to \$135 million, involved in co-financing arrangements with one of several cooperative Arab banking funds. The Arab banking institutions working with BADAE include the Islamic Development Bank, the OPEC Special Fund and the Special Arab Aid Fund for Africa. A look at the total dollar amount of loans co-financed with other Arab banks shows BADAE's share at 12.5 per cent. That means that one in every eight dollars involved in these joint projects came from BADAE.

The annual report shows a priority was given to countries in the Sahel, one of Africa's least developed areas. The Sahel belt of sub-Saharan countries has serious needs in agriculture, manufacturing, industry, roads, energy and economic infrastructure development. BADAE has tried to forecast the needs of countries within its loan area by developing a 10-year plan for the years 1980-1989.

The 1979 report shows the bank's paid-up capital stood at \$ 640.25 million, or 87 per cent of the subscribed capital as of Dec. 31. Disbursements of loans had reached \$ 117.85 million, or 36 per cent of the total commitment. The bank's liquidity ratio stood at 169 per cent at year's end, reflecting "a sound financial position," the report said. BADAE's directors hope to continue operations over the next five years without bringing in additional capital through borrowing or increasing the bank's stock. Nonetheless, only eight African countries benefited from BADAE aid in 1979, as compared with 19 in 1978 and 29 in the 1975-1977 period.

The bank's largest loans during 1979 went to the West African countries of Mali and Angola, recipients of \$ 20 million of the \$ 49 million loaned last year. Angola's \$ 10 million loan will aid in the rehabilitation



tion of the country's Lobito railway, a 1,348 kilometer line running east to west across the country. The loan covering the first phase of the project will be used to finance the purchase or rolling stock and diesel units, rehabilitate track, reinforce bridges and modernize workshops.

The Angola project is a good example of BADAE's work in Africa, because the country has been badly hurt by the closing of the railway during its 1975 war of liberation. Neighboring Zambia and Zaire also suffered grave economic damage to their international trade when the railway closed. Zambia is entirely landlocked, and Zaire has only a narrow opening to the sea, so restoration of the Lobito railway will create much more favorable economic conditions for the entire region.

Another \$ 10 million loan went to Mali for construction and upgrading of roads covering the Mali part of the Trans-Saharan highway, regarded as an essential element in regional economic integration. The highway will contribute to the development of trade within the region among the countries it serves. BADAE co-financed the road improvement project, expected to be completed in 1984.

Other African loan recipients during 1979 were Kenya, Lesotho, Guinea, Gambia, and the Comors and Cape Verde islands.

Ministers pledge to stabilize currency

Inflation alarms Kingdom, Germany

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and West Germany Monday pledged to continue working together for a stable international currency system that will help increase world economic development.

The two countries set forth their views on the present currency system in a joint press communique issued in Riyadh Monday after talks between German Finance Minister Hans Matthöfer and Finance and National Economy Minister Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al Khail. The two expressed fears about rising inflation rates and applauded efforts to curtail inflation now rampant in some countries.

The press communique said the two ministers exchanged views on various international issues and relations between the two countries "which are based on understanding and confidence reflected in the Saudi-German Joint Economic Cooperation Committee and the frequent contacts between the two governments and businessmen of both sides."

Matthöfer commended the constructive role played by the Kingdom in bringing about political and economic stability both in the Middle East and the world at large. He reportedly agreed with Saudi Arabia's finance minister that new ways must be found to finance existing deficits in the current balance of payments because of present imbalances.

Member countries of the European Economic Community recently agreed to curb oil-based energy consumption, and this subject was also covered in talks between the two ministers. They urged acceptance of the "long-term economic facts, especially by doubling efforts to conserve energy." Matthöfer said it is important that the acceptance of these economic facts should not be interfered with either by changing the amount of oil available to world markets or by changing prices charged for available oil.

The talks also covered a proposal before the International Monetary Fund to revise the world currency system. The ministers called on the fund to play a greater role in the future and explore new ways of financing balance of payments deficits. They pledged cooperation with the fund to help achieve these objectives. Also discussed were problems affecting developing countries due to present trends in international growth. Both ministers expressed a desire to increase assistance to these needy countries. Matthöfer said West Germany will continue to increase economic aid to underdeveloped countries, and Aha Al Khail showed the West German finance minister Saudi Arabia's budgeted allocations for foreign aid.

Australian cattlemen attempt to stop film

CANBERRA, May 26 (AP) — The Cattlemen's Union of Australia has begun a campaign to prevent showing of the film *Death of a Princess*. Rick Farley, the union's executive director, Monday asked primary producers and trade unionists to telephone or send telegrams requesting withdrawal of the program to the general manager of Channel 7, which is scheduled to screen the program June 2. Channel 7 manager Ed Thomas rejected the cattlemen's union request.

Farley said in a statement that broadcasting the program could lead to trade restrictions against Australia. Farley said it was stupid to risk future trade relations, job opportunities and export income for a brief period of entertainment.

South Yemen affirms commitment

AMASCUS, Syria, May 26 (AP) — The president of South Yemen Monday reaffirmed his country's support for the hard-line elements of the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty. On the second day of meetings with President Hafez Assad, Ali Nasser Muhammad said: "Our country is committed fully to basic positions, and we shall remain a nation of Arab steadfastness."

A Syrian Arab News Agency quoted Assad as saying his succession to the presidency after Abdul Fattah Ismail's April resignation was "only a minor amendment." South Yemen, Syria, Libya, Algeria, the Palestine Liberation Organization members of the "steadfast and confrontational" set up to counter Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's 1977 visit to Israel — and subsequent peace effort.

Muhammad praised Syria's staunch opposition to the American-sponsored Camp David peace accord and added: "since I assumed the overall responsibility in the Syrian and in the state, I made it a point that I should be the first country to visit." He also met with Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of the democratic front for the Liberation of Palestine, and Dr. George Habbash of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, also is expected to meet PLO chief Yasser Arafat before departing for Moscow today. May 10 message from King Khalid to Muhammad is believed to have invited the president to visit Saudi Arabia. Muhammad's predecessor, Abdul Fattah Ismail, received such an invitation shortly after his resignation. The official explanation for his abrupt departure was ill health. Western observers said Moscow's dis-



President Assad



President Ali Nasser Muhammad

pleasure with the course of Ismail's foreign policy was nearer the truth.

South Yemen's Foreign Minister Saleh Muhammad received the King's message during a Riyadh visit. Informal sources said the message also dealt with relations between the Kingdom and the socialist state and ways of developing them. Assad sources said the message was an important step toward improved relations between the neighboring countries.

In Damascus

Fateh leaders continue talks

DAMASCUS, May 26 (R) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat had to intervene several times because of heated discussions when the press of the major commando group resumed here, a press statement said. Congress, the fourth of its type in nine years, formally began on Thursday chaired by Arafat with about 500 delegates from Arab militias.

The statement issued by the congress Sunday said the participants were discussing reports by Fateh's 10-man member Central committee dealing with political, financial and organizational issues.

So far, 30 members have addressed the meeting, which was now expected to be prolonged for a day or two, the statement added.

It said Arafat, who also heads the umbrella liberation movement, the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), and another Fateh leader, Salah Khalaf (Abu Iyad), intervened more than once "to explain a lot of questions raised by congress members."

The statement said the congress was characterized by "full clarity and a deep sense of responsibility shouldered by Fateh at the current serious and historic phase..."

It stressed Fateh's "leading role in the Palestinian revolution and the Arab and world liberation movements." Palestinian sources had said that discussions would deal, among other things, with organizing Palestinian commando action, the Middle East conflict and world issues.

Autonomy, EEC peace moves to dominate Mubarak-Thatcher talks

LONDON, May 26 (R) — Egyptian Vice-President Hosni Mubarak is expected to arrive here Tuesday to hold talks with British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher on the Arab-Israeli dispute after earlier meetings with West German and American leaders.

Mubarak will undoubtedly brief Mrs. Thatcher on his discussions with President Jimmy Carter in Washington and West German ministers in Bonn on the suspended Egyptian-Israeli negotiations on Palestinian autonomy. Informal sources say he may also meet with British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington and Deputy Foreign Minister Sir Ian Gilmour, who visited Cairo for discussions earlier this month.

Mubarak's expected visit will come after several days of hectic diplomatic activity by Egyptian representatives in Western capitals. British, West German and other European community foreign ministers will use the Egyptian discussions during reports to a nine-nation Common Market summit in Venice next month. The summit will discuss what kind of role the European community may be able to play in helping bring about a com-

prehensive Middle East peace settlement.

Mubarak conferred with West German Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genscher in Bonn Monday after arriving from Washington, a Bonn foreign ministry spokesman said.

According to Egyptian embassy sources, Mubarak carried a message for Chancellor Helmut Schmidt from Egyptian President Anwar Sadat. Mubarak also delivered a letter from Sadat to President Carter during his visit to Washington. The letter reportedly explains Egypt's reasons for suspending Egyptian-Israeli negotiations on Palestinian autonomy. Mubarak held detailed discussions on the Middle East situation with President Carter during his Washington visit.

Egypt's flurry of diplomatic activity is further explained in an interview published Monday in the *Washington Post* and *Newsweek* magazine. The interview quotes Sadat as saying he wants the United States to stockpile weapons in Egypt. Sadat said the plan to stockpile weapons would be the first step toward establishing "a new planning and a new strategy" for American moves to counter Soviet expansion in the area.

"I am not asking for American bases or American soldiers," Sadat said. "I have a million-man army." The Egyptian leader indicated that stockpiling arms, including F-15 fighters, as part of America's acquisition of military facilities to serve its planned rapid intervention force of two airborne divisions, will not antagonize Egyptian nationalists.

Egypt and the U.S. have an agreement to furnish spare parts for various weapons. Sadat said another agreement is being studied that would provide for joint production of fighter planes and helicopters.

Authorities have also indicated that talks are already underway to build a successor to the F-15 in Egypt for the arsenal of developing countries. This would make Egypt an important arms exporter. President Sadat said all his moves are supported by 95.5 per cent of the Egyptian people.

"If it is less than this, I shall leave my post," he said. "The Shah of Iran never enjoyed such public backing before his overthrow. Without this support, I could never have taken a decision to say that I am ready to

let the United States have facilities to reach the Gulf and to rescue the American hostages."

Sadat said negotiations over Palestinian autonomy in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza territories, which, under the Camp David agreements, should have been concluded Monday, will "never collapse." He said the agreements will continue "for the very simple reason that between Egypt and Israel there is a treaty now, there are good

relations, there is a table around which we sit even if we are different."

Sadat, however, strongly criticized what he called the intransigent and "selfish" attitude of the Israelis which he said has increased both the risk of Soviet influence in the Muslim world and Muslim hostility toward Egypt. He also criticized Jordan's King Hussein for refusing to take part in the Middle East peace process.

News exchange agreement signed

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Saudi Arabia and the Republic of China signed an agreement Monday for the exchange of news between their state agencies, the Saudi Press Agency and the Central News Agency of Taiwan.

Under the agreement CNA gives permission for distribution of its English language news to subscribers of the Saudi Arabian agency. At the same time, SPA permits distribution of its English version to CNA subscribers.

The one year agreement, automatically renewable every year, is based on mutual interest, with no financial commitments. It was signed by Sami Kamel Abu Al-Faraj, deputy director general of SPA and Frañi Lin, director general of the Chinese agency Abu Al-Faraj and Lin met Sunday and discussed promoting cooperation between the two news agencies. Final touches were made on the agreement signed Monday.

Lin arrived here Thursday for a short visit to Saudi Arabia.

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Exxon president says

U.S. gas usage already reached peak

By Scott Pendleton
Al Khobar Bureau

DAMMAM, May 26 (SPA) — U.S. consumption of gasoline may never be higher than during 1978, Howard C. Kauffmann, the president of Exxon Corp., said Sunday.

Kauffmann was in Dammam with an Exxon Energy Research and Development Symposium. During a press conference, he explained the viewpoint of Exxon, the world's largest energy corporation, on subjects including the impact of the latest OPEC

price increases, energy alternatives, the decline of Communist oil production, and retroactive price increases.

"We were expecting gasoline consumption to grow until 1983, but we may actually have seen the peak already," he said.

The latest OPEC price increases will make it more difficult for some countries to meet their financial obligations, Kauffmann noted.

"It will be tougher on the less developed countries that are struggling now — they'll go deeper into debt," he said. "It will only have a marginal effect on the demand for pet-

roleum, but will increase the incentives for finding alternatives.

Kauffmann noted that the tremendous increases in the real price of imported energy made at the last OPEC meeting in Caracas and after were greater than anyone had forecast.

This will slow the world's economic growth, and therefore its growth in energy demand, he said.

Asked if the West could sell oil to the Communist bloc, once output there begins to decline, Kauffmann pointed out that at present the East is a net exporter to the West. When their supply situation becomes difficult, they will gradually cut off these exports.

But he added that this will be a sacrifice, since oil sales earn badly needed hard currency for the East.

As to whether the Communist nations would ever import from the West, Kauffmann said that those countries have an advantage in their disciplined economies. "They can tune (the demand for oil) down simply by mandating that it will not be there," he said.

Kauffmann also pointed out that the Soviet Union has large energy reserves in Siberia that could be developed with difficulty. "Russia has tremendous gas reserves in the Urals," he said. "How much it would take to get this into the market one doesn't know. They may find a way to bring it along."

As for developing new sources of energy in America, Kauffmann said that the market place through higher oil prices — would provide the incentive.

"Little if any incentives from the government will be required to bring forth the development of synthetics," he added that Exxon was only asking for non-discriminatory treatment.

Development of some alternatives are viable today, such as shale oil, he said. Exxon is already involved in recovery of oil from tar sands.

Regarding the trend towards direct deals between exporting and consuming countries, Kauffmann said that won't spell the end of the integrated oil company. "We'd be in tough shape if they completely excluded us," he said. "But we don't see an irreversible trend in that direction." "We can't say we're happy about that interference with a commercial process."

Kauffmann said that the takeover of Aramco by the Saudi government would have no effect on Exxon.

To play principal role

Al-Harakan lauds committee

MECCA, May 26 (SPA) — The general secretary of the Muslim World League Sheikh Muhammad Ali Al-Harakan, Monday said that the three-member committee formed by the 11th conference of Islamic foreign ministers last week in Islamabad, will play a principal role in pursuing the resolutions of the conference, especially the one which calls for immediate unconditional

Officials undertake environmental studies

JEDDAH, May 26 (SPA) — The General Directorate of Meteorology opened Sunday a series of meetings to draw preliminary studies for protecting the environment from pollution during the pilgrimage, and undertaking preventive measures against the pollution from meat, waste and environmental diseases.

The meetings will last a week and are attended by delegates of government departments involved in pilgrimage services.

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Mecca	40	25
Jeddah	36	24
Riyadh	40	26
Dhahran	38	26
Medina	40	25
Taif	35	21
Jizan	37	29
Qassim	38	26
Hail	33	21
Al-Wajh	31	21
Tahuk	37	17
Khamis Mesheir	31	14

Communication Ministry plans

Roads to link urban areas

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — The Ministry of Communication's budget for the fiscal year 1980-81 reached SR7,585 billion, 24 per cent more than last year's budget, it was reported Monday.

The deputy minister of communication for roads, Dr. Nasser Al-Saloun, said Monday that the main objective of the ministry's third five-year development plan 15 to establish a modern asphalted road network connecting highways and populated areas and linking villages and farm land to the main highway network.

In addition to linking villages and farms through farm roads, the third plan aims at connecting the Kingdom to neighboring Arab countries, and maintaining the com-

pleted roads to be usage in all seasons.

Major projects allocated in the include completion of the circuit around Riyadh and repairing the road to it; the Riyadh to Kharij highway; the Riyadh to Mecca highway, the circuit around the holy haram in Mecca, flyover intersections in Jeddah; and over Baha, Jouwah and Shiar mountain.

It also comprises the Hanakiya road; building a second lane for the main road to Dhahran to the University; the main road to the airport; Dammam to Nuayriya road; Dam Rass Tanura road, Sulayyil to Najra; Qura to Muzahimiya road; Na Sharoura road; and the Baqiy to Hof.

Many roads will be repaired or have on lane in the current budget. Most roads are in the Eastern Province, but are other projects outside the area. Baqiy to Hofuf road will have a second lane; and the Tiaf to Bani Saad road; Sulayyil to Sharoura road; the Riyadh to Dammam highway and other roads. Pilgrimage areas, including the Mecca Al-Kabeer to Hawiyah.

Aba Al-Khail receives Pakistan invitation

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad Aba Al-Khail will begin an official three-day visit to Pakistan at the invitation of Pakistan's Minister of Finance Gbulam Isbaq Khan, June 3, it was announced Monday.

Aba Al-Khail, who is attending a meeting of the Vienna-based OPEC fund, will sign an agreement to set up a Saudi-Pakistani investment company with joint capital of \$100 million to be shared by the two countries.

The minister also will hold talks with Pakistani officials on promoting economic cooperation between the Kingdom and Pakistan.

Solaim, Brawiro hold trade discussions

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Talks between Dr. Solaim A. Solaim, minister of commerce and the Indonesian minister of Trade and Cooperatives, Radius Brawiro, that dealt with promoting trade exchange between the two countries, opened here Monday.

Dr. Solaim said after the meeting that it was agreed to encourage contacts between businessmen of the two countries and hold temporary exhibitions and concentrate on exchange of goods that interest the two countries.

He praised the strong ties of the Kingdom and Indonesia in various fields. Dr. Solaim gave a dinner Sunday night on the honor of Dr. Brawiro who arrived Saturday on a five day visit to the Kingdom.

Electricity use doubles

JEDDAH, May 26 — The Saudi National Company for Electric Power had a 50 per cent increase both in subscribers and connections for 1979 according to Sheikh Ali Juffali, chairman and managing director. He said the company supplied power to 51,000 new subscribers in Jeddah, Mecca and Taif last bringing the total of subscribers to 250,000.

Of the new subscribers there were 28,810 in Jeddah, an increase of 49 per cent over last year, 14,405 in Mecca and 7,941 in Taif.

saudi comment

By Samir Shamma
Al Medina

Since the Ministry of Agriculture and other ministries do not fail to grant subsidies to farmers, it becomes their duty to respond to the government agencies by avoiding exploitation of the citizens. It sounds quite unreasonable that the locally-produced cucumber should be more expensive than the imported oranges and a kilo of local lettuce should fetch SR8, while the same quantity of imported "golden" apples is sold at SR4 to 5.

A kilo of lady's finger is often sold at SR20 while a watermelon fetches a price of upto SR60. Is it really sensible that the locally-produced vegetables should be this expensive. It is, indeed, a big exploitation of the consumer and can hold no justification whatever. How can a man with a large family and a small job, who wishes to lead an honest life, be able to feed his dependents satisfactorily?

If you ask the price control department at the Ministry of Commerce, you will be told that the prices of vegetables have not been fixed by the Ministry of Agriculture and the price control department of this ministry has, therefore, no authority over those prices.

In my view, an average individual wishes to feel that he is not exploited by his neighbor, and it is necessary that a spirit of love and fraternity must prevail among all.

It will be much appreciated if the Ministry of Agriculture fixes the prices of local vegetables and authorizes the price control department of the Ministry of Commerce to check the markets. The citizens must be made to feel that they only pay the price for what they buy, and pay it happily. May God place us among those who have sympathetic hearts filled with His fear.

BRIEFS

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — Riyadh Prince Salman will dedicate a factory for air conditioners on Wednesday. The opening will be attended by Dr. Algasabi, minister of industry and other officials.

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — The Ministry of Education issued names and dates of annual interviews of Saudi Arabian who will teach abroad in Arab and countries as of June 13. Applications by teachers numbered 314. They are to be sent to fulfill requirements countries for teachers during the academic year.

RIYADH, May 26 (SPA) — The commander of Riyadh Prince Sultan's annual military maneuvers of King Aziz War Academy staged outside Jeddah, Monday. A number of sophisticated weapons were used during the maneuvers in the academy's cadets demonstrated their abilities. At the end of the military exercises Prince Sultan said he was happy to attend the event on behalf of Prince Sultan, the of defense and aviation.

SANAA, May 26 (SPA) — The premier for interior of North Yemen Col. Mujahid Abu Shawarab, met Saudi Arabian Ambassador in Sanaa Trad Al-Harithy, Monday. They discussed bilateral relations and ways of promoting

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Diplomats' assessment

Only a miracle can save stalled autonomy talks

BEIRUT, May 26 (R) — A year after Israel, Egypt and the United States began discussing autonomy for the Palestinians living under Israeli military occupation, nothing short of a miracle appears capable of salvaging the project.

This is the assessment of Arab and European diplomats who have watched the negotiations from their ceremonial opening in the Israeli desert town of Beersheba on May 26, 1979, to their temporary suspension in Egypt earlier this month.

In the one year allotted to them under the Camp David Middle East accords of 1978, he negotiating partners failed to narrow sharply divergent Israeli and Egyptian views on a range of key issues from security and water rights to the status of Jerusalem and Jewish settlements in Israeli-occupied lands.

The Palestinians and most of the Arab world regarded the talks as exercises in futility, with no chance of success and little relevance to the Middle East problem as a whole.

"If nothing else, this year has shown that you cannot decide the fate of the Palestinians against the express wishes of the Palestinians," said a political scientist at the American University here.

Since the talks began, bombs, bullets, strikes and demonstrations in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and the Gaza Strip have served as reminders that the vast majority of the 1.50 million Palestinians directly concerned are bitterly opposed to the autonomy project.

They see it as a guise for continued Israeli occupation and say that Israel, Egypt and the United States are not competent to discuss Palestinian affairs.

Most West Bank Palestinians look for leadership to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO), recognized by more than 100 states as the sole legal representative of the world's estimated four million Palestinians.

"The U.S. and Israel say they are offering us autonomy," PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat said in a recent interview. "But it is not self-rule. It is self-administration, and I call it garbage."

"The Israelis have control of everything, even the sources of water (in the West Bank and Gaza). Give me an example anywhere in the world where a village does not control its own drinking water," Arafat said.

"Making predications in the Middle East is a risky business," said a Western diplomat. "But it is probably a safe bet that within those five years, Camp David as we know it will have died a quiet death."

The Camp David accords made no provision for the more than 2.5 million Palestinians who live outside the West Bank and Gaza, scattered around the world as a result of the exodus which followed the 1948 establishment of Israel.



Col. Qaddafi

Qaddafi hits France over Africa policy

BEIRUT, May 26 (R) — Libyan leader Col. Muammar Qaddafi has strongly attacked France over its policy in French-speaking African countries and said imperialists were trying to keep Africa underdeveloped.

The Libyan News Agency Jana, reporting this Sunday, said Qaddafi was addressing African ambassadors and representatives of liberation movements in Tripoli on the occasion of Africa Day.

It quoted Qaddafi as saying: "Imperialist policy is aimed at continuing to exploit Africa and keeping the Africans underdeveloped." He said imperialist countries were determined to make the independence of African states a fiction.

"For example, France still considers the French-speaking African group as colonies. It is a French tradition to convene these countries each year so that France may make sure they follow its policy," he said.

Qaddafi said imperialism was trying to keep its languages in official use in Africa to preserve imperialist interests.

"On this 17th Africa Day, I accordingly wish to declare that we must not recognize either the French or the English language," he added. "Recognize only our original African language, namely Arabic, Hausa, Swahili and Amharic."

He said that if France confined its aid to French-speaking countries, then Tripoli would consider restricting Libyan financial assistance to states which received no French help.

"But we are aware that France is exploiting Africa, similar to what the Israelis did, with the aim of spreading its racist influence," he added.

Weizman's next move: topple Begin

TEL AVIV, May 26 (Agencies) — Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizman has carried out his often-repeated threat to resign, creating one of the worst crises for the government since it took office three years ago. Sources close to Weizman said he would now start working out a strategy designed to bring down Prime Minister Menachem Begin's government.

Weizman himself said he was not leaving the ruling Likud coalition. "I am not quitting political life. This is just a stop to refuel and rearm," he told reporters.

His resignation tilted the balance in the cabinet even further away from moderates toward hardliners, political sources said.

Weizman told his colleagues at a cabinet meeting Sunday that he was resigning. "This government has no policies and, even when it has, it is incapable of carrying them out," he said.

"It decides to set up settlements when it can't afford them. We took office with an inflation rate of 20 per cent and now it is over 100 per cent," Weizman said.

Weizman officially quit over a plan to cut spending on defense in an effort to curb inflation, but he said this was merely the final issue.

He favored a more moderate position in the Palestinian autonomy talks with Egypt and he opposed the government's policy of setting up Jewish settlements in densely-populated areas of the West Bank.

He said the Begin government had "been incapable of realizing any of its plans for the economy, social and settlement policies, or defense." He added the government had discouraged immigration and boosted emigration.

Omani minister in Iraq for talks

BAGHDAD, May 26 (R) — Oman's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Oais Abdul-Moumin Al-Zawawi, arrived in Iraq Monday for talks aimed at removing any misunderstanding between the two countries.

The official Iraqi News Agency (INA) quoted him as saying the visit was an Omani initiative "with the aim of removing any misunderstanding that resulted from certain political views."

He said he would also discuss the formation of a permanent joint committee to ensure continued cooperation on the basis of mutual respect.

Zawawi, accompanied by Information Minister Abdul-Aziz Rowass, added that he was carrying a message from Sultan Qabus Ben Said to Iraqi President Saddam Hussein dealing with the development of bilateral ties.



King Hassan

King Hassan to extend term of parliament

RABAT, May 26 (R) — King Hassan II of Morocco has said he intends to extend the term of office of the present parliament from four to six years to avoid "unnecessary electoral battles" at a time when the country must be united.

This means that legislative elections due next year would be postponed until 1983 to coincide with the election of local government councils whose members choose one third of parliament. This was the practical reason for the change, the king said.

King Hassan said in a broadcast Sunday night he knew that certain political parties (the left-wing opposition) were opposed to such a constitutional amendment, but that if it was not approved by referendum to be held next Friday "we shall keep the situation as it is which does not cause us any harm."

It is expected however that the amendment will be approved. Other changes in the constitution, notably one making it possible for the king's successor to ascend the throne at the age of 16, were adopted by a 99.71 per cent vote in favor in a referendum last Friday.

Kenya chief visits Iraq

BAGHDAD, May 26 (R) — Kenyan President Daniel Arap Moi arrived in Baghdad Sunday for an official visit designed to develop relations with Iraq. The Iraqi News Agency said he was greeted by President Saddam Hussein and officials of the government and ruling Baath Party.

The Kenyan president will visit the United Arab Emirates on Tuesday, as part of his current tour in the region.

Bani-Sadr's remarks on Bahrain draw fire

KUWAIT, May 26 (AP) — A Kuwaiti newspaper Monday attacked Iranian President Abolhassan Bani-Sadr for casting doubts on the legality of the 1971 referendum in Bahrain, which resulted in declaring the island an independent state.

Who knows, Bani-Sadr may be demanding the annexation of the entire Arabian Peninsula and the Gulf, after Iran had enough time to put its affairs in order and rebuild its army and economy, the daily *Al-Anbaa* said in an editorial.

The paper was commenting on a statement attributed to Bani-Sadr in an interview published by the Kuwaiti daily *Sunday*.

Bani-Sadr was asked by his Kuwaiti interviewer whether Iran recognizes the independence of Bahrain, or still considered the island part of Iran as demanded by some Iranian religious figures.

Bani-Sadr was quoted as replying: "We accept the independence of that country as long as the people there wants to keep independent from any other state, and provided they are free in expressing their will." "So, Bani-Sadr obviously says he does not recognize Bahrain's independence," the paper said.

"Since Bani-Sadr won 75 per cent of the votes in Iran's presidential elections," he is the only man authorized to decide his country's policies and accordingly his statements are the correct indicator of Iran directions," *Al-Anbaa* said.

Iran airline office bombed in Kuwait

KUWAIT, May 26 (AP) — Two explosions shattered the glass frontage of the national Iranian airlines office here Monday, the official Kuwait news agency reported.

The agency said there were no casualties as the explosions, within five minutes of each other, came at 06.30 a.m. local time (03.30 GMT). The office was still closed at the Kuwait's main street, where it is located, was practically deserted.

Kuwait's Interior Minister Sheikh Nawaf Al-Ahmad Al-Jaber visited the scene and ordered an investigation, the agency reported.

Earlier this month unknown gunmen made an abortive assassination attempt against Iranian Foreign Minister Sadeq Ghotbzadeh, while he was visiting Kuwait. The gunmen fired a fusillade of shots at Ghotbzadeh's motorcade, but nobody was hurt.

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Protesters demand U.N. put troops in Cambodia

GENEVA, May 26 (Agencies) — Cambodians demanding a United Nations troops presence and an "end to extermination" in Cambodia demonstrated here Monday before the opening of the U.N.-sponsored conference on humanitarian aid to the country.

The demonstrators, who took up positions outside the conference hall, belonged to the anti-Communist Federation of Nationalist Refugees and Apolitical Island of Friendship Organization.

Another group, the Vietnam Committee for Saving the Refugees from the Sea, also handed out a leaflet urgently demanding a further conference on common problems affecting the Indochinese countries of Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam.

The leaflet said it was pointless to expect to solve the refugee problem as long as the regimes in all three countries continued "internal and external repression." It called for a "real, non-aligned and independent" peace zone in Southeast Asia. Representatives from 58 countries are attending the conference. But Vietnam and the Soviet Union, who back the Heng Samrin government in Phnom Penh against guerrillas loyal to the ousted Khieu Samphan administration, turned down invitations to attend.

They said the meeting's aims were political rather than humanitarian, although Western diplomats said political problems underlying Cambodia's material hardships would only be mentioned in passing.

The absence of Vietnam thwarted earlier hopes that the meeting might obtain its assurance that food would reach needy areas, diplomatic sources said.

Informed sources said the Soviet Union would send an observer to the talks which are being sponsored by the United Nations at the request of the Association of South East Nations Asian (ASEAN).

ASEAN, which groups Indonesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore and Thailand, fears that famine in Cambodia will drive tens of thousands more hungry people to the Thai border.

The International Red Cross committee estimates that between 500,000 and 700,000 refugees are already receiving food aid on the Thai border.

It regards the Geneva meeting as crucial to the success of a Cambodia relief operation which it launched jointly with the U.N. Children's Fund (UNICEF) late last year.

Countries giving aid to Cambodia were expected to renew their commitments to try to protect Cambodians from starvation.



WINNER: Japanese filmmaker Akira Kurosawa waves after receiving the Golden award at the Cannes Film Festival for his movie *Kagemusha*.

St. Helens erupts anew

VANCOUVER, Washington, May 26 (R) — Mount St. Helens erupted again Sunday, showering mud and ash over a 400-kilometer strip of the U.S. west coast.

The volcano shot ash and smoke to a height of 12,000 meters in the biggest eruption since a huge chunk of the northern slope of the mountain blew out last Sunday and killed at least 32 people. Ash fell Sunday on Portland, Oregon, 80 kilometers south of the volcano, and airlines halted flights into the city in case the aircraft engines became clogged.

The giant black cloud of ash, spreading out from the volcano, also reached the southern outskirts of Seattle before heading westward out to sea.

Ash mixed with rain over the town of Kelso and other areas close to the volcano, and grey mud formed on houses and cars.

No casualties have been reported from the latest eruption.

Zimbabwe network changes management

SALISBURY, May 26 (AFP) — A new board will take over management of the Zimbabwe Broadcasting Corporation as the first part of a major reorganization of radio and television over coming months, Information Minister Nathan Shamuyarura announced here.

Current white director-general Jimmy Neill will remain at the head of the board.

The deputy director-general will be Tirimti Kangayi, former U.N. representative of Prime Minister Robert Mugabe's Zimbabwe African National Union-Patriotic Front (ZANU-PF). He has a degree in mass communications and television, and media experience in the United States.

Program director will be Charles Mdhlovu, former ZANU-PF information director. He was responsible for some of the radio programs beamed by the party from Mozambique to Rhodesia during the seven-year bush war.

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Today looks worse than yesterday

Corruption, inflation rife in Uganda

KAMPALA, May 26 (R) — A year after the fall of the regime of Idi Amin, Ugandans are again under military rule and many complain some aspects of life are worse than ever before.

Corruption has thwarted economic recovery, prospective aid donors shy away because of political instability, murder and looting by "uniformed thugs" (a euphemism for soldiers) is rife, and inflation is running at more than 400 per cent a year — three times higher than at any time under Amin.

The new military junta, led by Paulo Muwanga, once Amin's head of protocol, has said its first priority is to improve the security situation. But there is little doubt in the minds of Kampala residents that the Uganda National Liberation Army (UNLA) is itself at the root of their insecurity.

"The UNLA is supposed to be an army of the people to protect the people but has become as much an instrument of oppression as it was before, one shopkeeper said.

Ex-President Godfrey Binaisa, at present a prisoner in state house, cited harsh measures and indiscipline by the army as the reason for his attempted sacking of army chief of staff Brig. David Oyite Ojok. The move led to his overthrow by the military in Uganda's second bloodless coup in less than a year.

But while the coup may have been bloodless, more Kampala residents have died violent deaths in the past two months than Tanzanians died in action in the entire six-month Uganda war.

At one end of the decaying, pot-holed main street of the capital, Kampala road, stands Mulago Hospital. With 1,000 beds and

modern well-equipped buildings, it was once Uganda's pride and one of the best in East Africa.

A short walk away, under a low hill where giant birds circle in the clear blue sky, is a cluster of low red brick buildings. As one approaches, the stench of rotten flesh gets stronger. Open the door and a cloud of blue flies rises. The stench is unbearable.

It is the police forensic morgue and already the first of the day's guests, an untidy heap of ragged corpses, have been dumped on the concrete floor.

Outside, and upwind, the attendant explains that the refrigeration broke down three years ago: "We have asked them to fix it many times. Who do they think we are. We are human beings too. We have no gloves, no boots, no equipment."

Mortuary records show that for the past six months it has received an average of four gunshot or assault victims a day. The mortuary official estimates these were only a quarter of the city's violent deaths — the relatives of most night-time victims do the burying without bothering the police.

In the same six months, the morgue has played host to an average two corpses a day from Kampala's Luzira Prison. They all starved to death.

Luzira was designed to hold 1,800 inmates but, according to diplomatic sources, there are at present nearly 5,000 men inside, many of them alleged followers of Amin.

In the main section of Mulago, a senior surgeon who worked there throughout the Amin period and that of President Milton Obote before him, said conditions in the hos-

pital had reached an all-time low.

The medical stores were looted by when Kampala fell in April last year, and since then there had been criticisms of drugs and dressings.

"We have no plaster of paris for casts, there is no saline solution for intravenous drips. There is no anaesthetic," a surgeon.

Local people knew they would get poor treatment at Mulago, that they try to get to the overcrowded but better in mission hospitals, he said. I were largely dependent on relatives and there was no ambulance service of water.

"I'm afraid things here at least are than they were under before. At least, days there were drugs and supplies, also treated more bullet wounds in 12 months than in any one year of the past regime," he said.

The wild enthusiasm that greeted the zanian troops and Ugandan exiles who threw the Amin regime has completely as has the spirit of idealism which marked the formation of the first post-Amin government in the north Tanzanian town of Moshi.

"Alcohol is now the spirit of Mosh one Ugandan journalist referring.

An Asian academic who returned country (Amin's expulsion of the community in 1972 as part of his "ec war" did more than anything else to the economy) summed up the situation government has been simply living backs of the people like the very worst colonial regime."

Camp tense after Cuban uprising

EGLIN AIR FORCE BASE, Florida May 26 (AP) — Security patrols at a refugee tent city were reinforced Sunday after hundreds of Cubans, apparently angry over delays in processing, threw rocks and scuffled with outnumbered U.S. military police. U.S. officials said between 50 and 100 refugees fled the processing center during Saturday night's disturbance, but most were recaptured by

early Sunday.

The U.S. Air Force security police called for help from marines, county sheriff's deputies, Fort Walton Beach police and the Florida Highway Patrol as they fought with brick-wielding Cubans at the gate to "Camp Liberty."

One of the big tents collapsed under the weight of refugees straining in the scuffle.

At least five refugees and military police were injured, but no details were immediately available. A number of arrests were reported.

The outburst began about dusk Saturday, after some 2,000 Cubans met for about 45 minutes with a dozen federal officials and demanded that they be released from the camp where they are detained for immigration processing.

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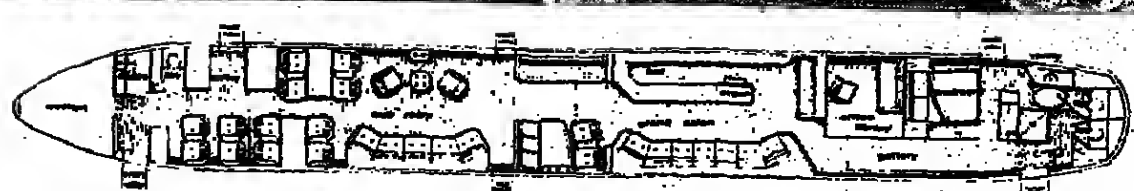
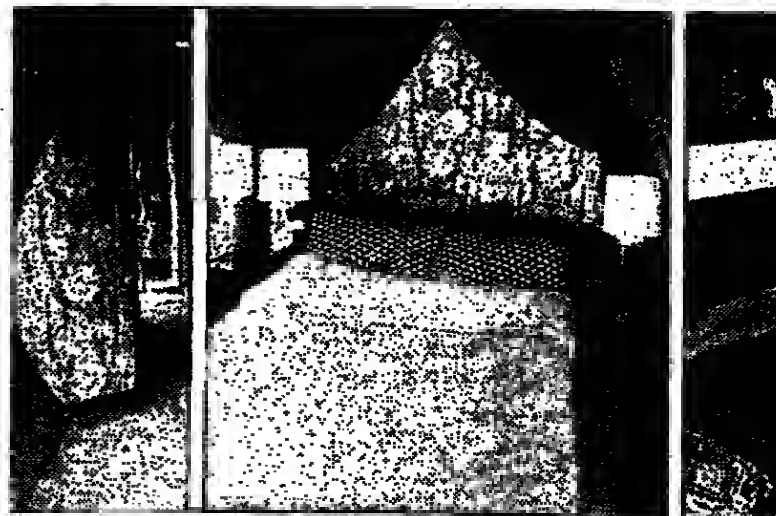


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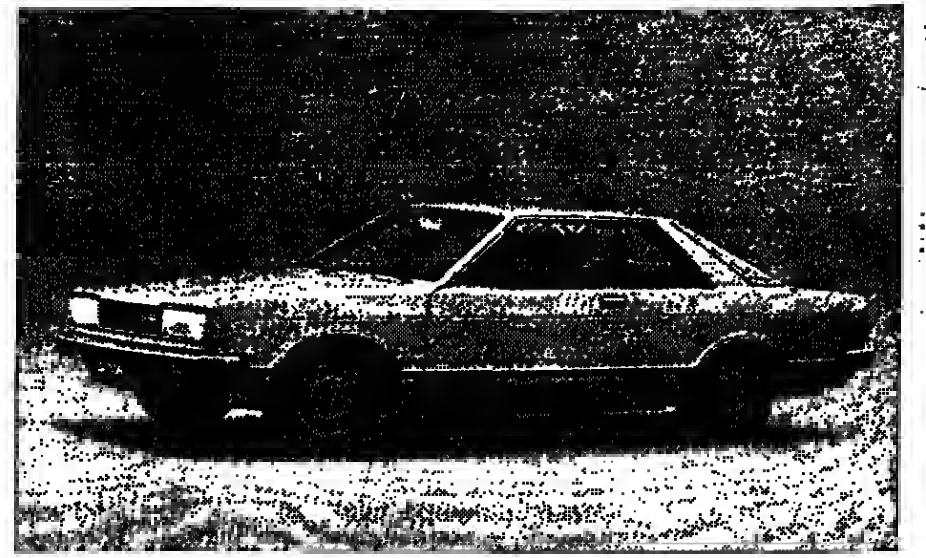


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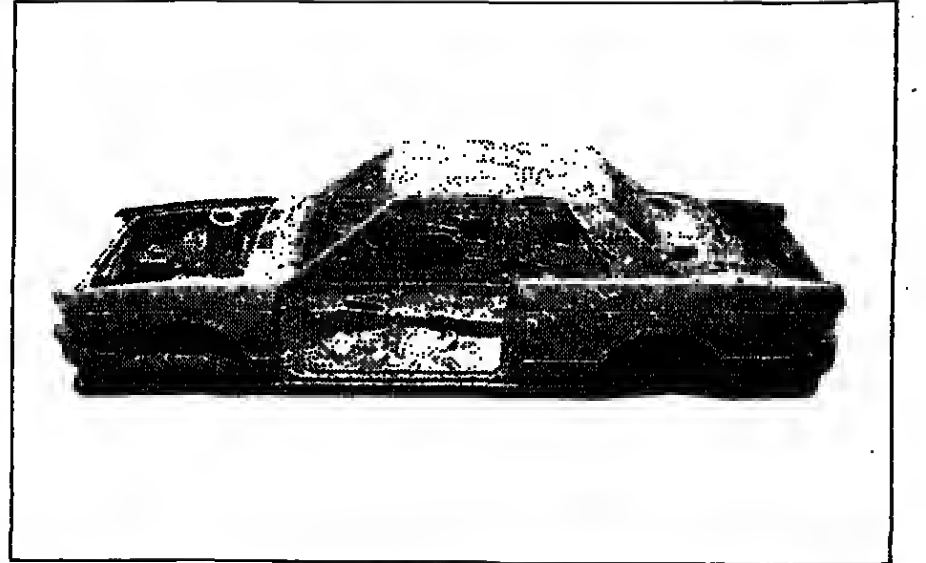
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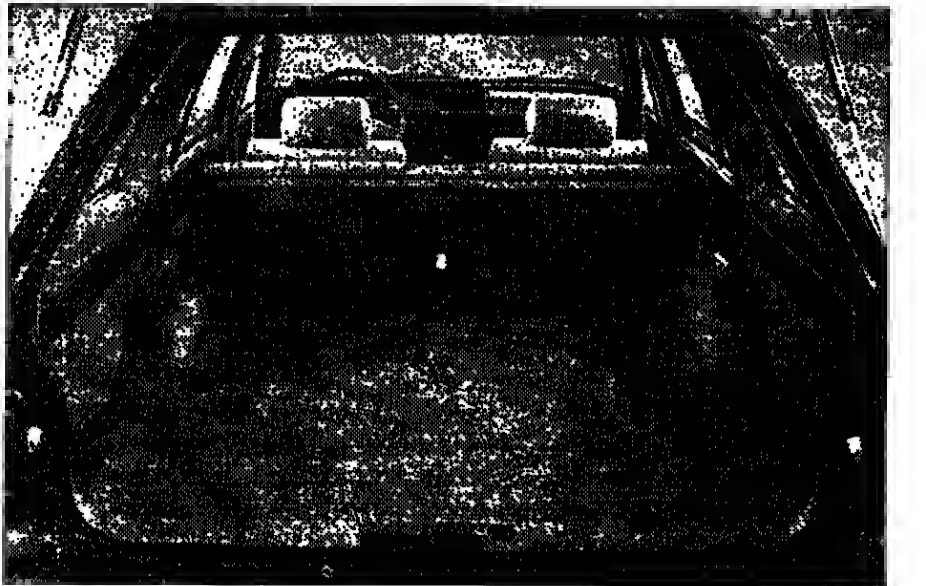
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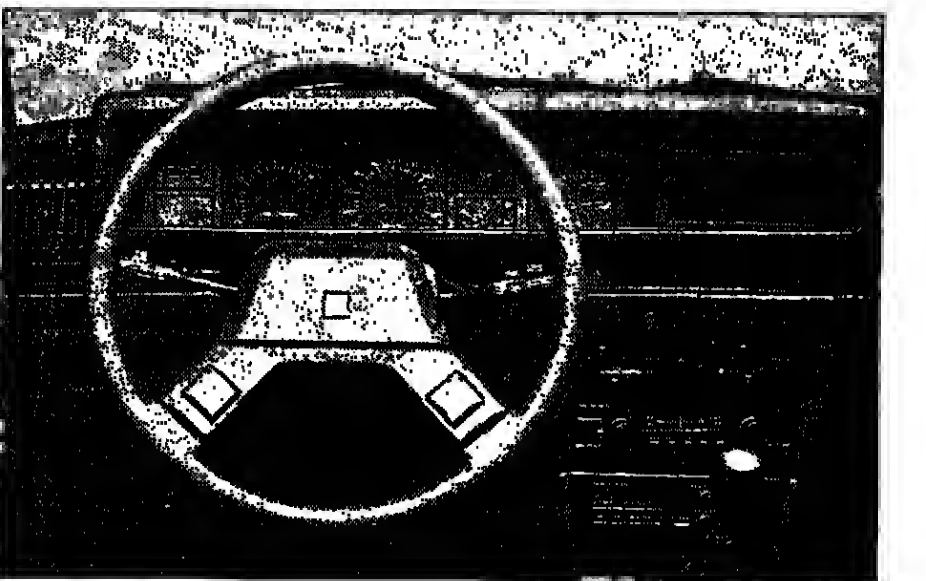
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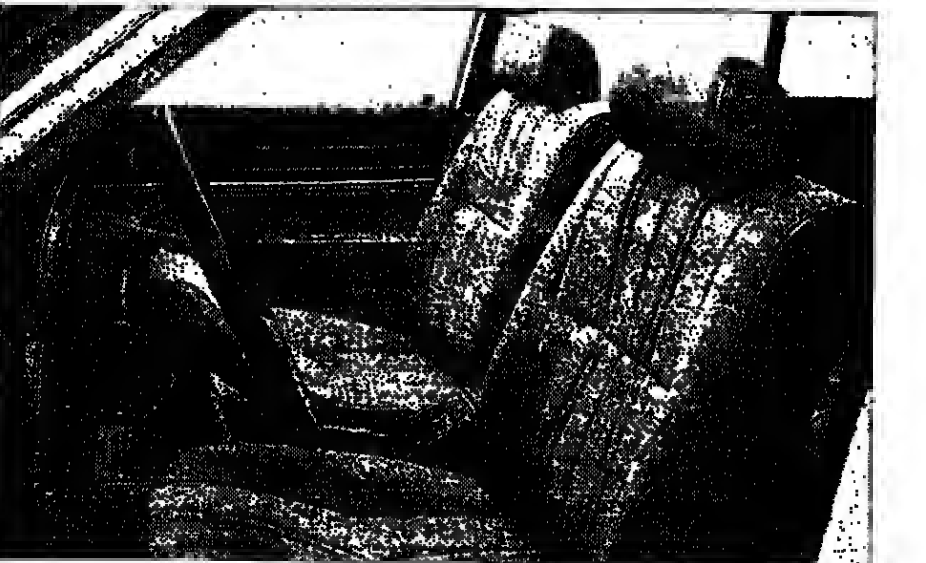
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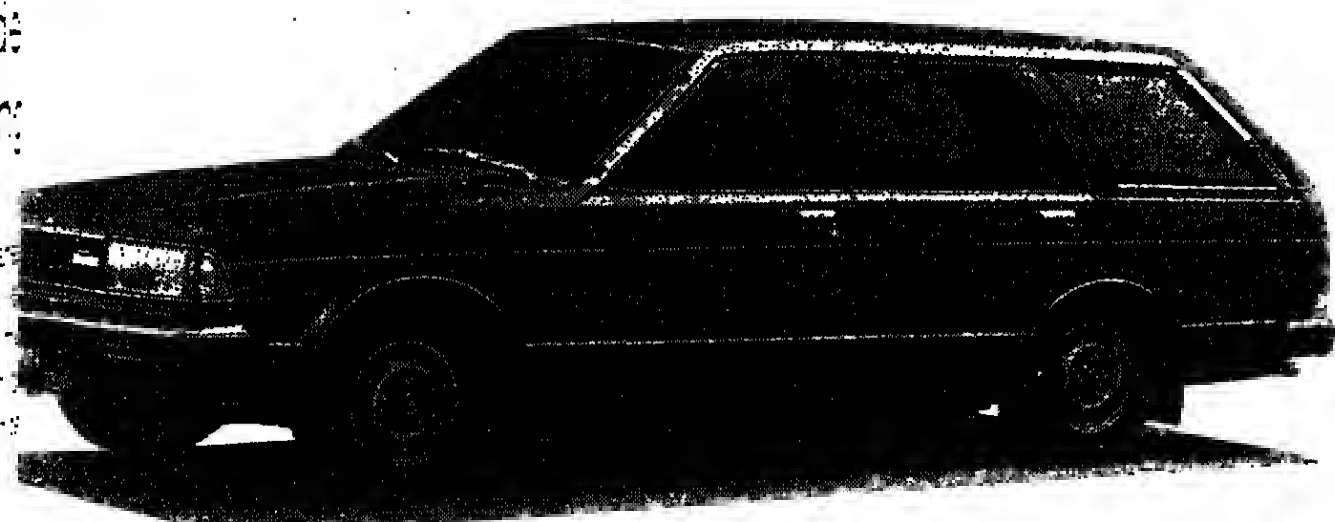
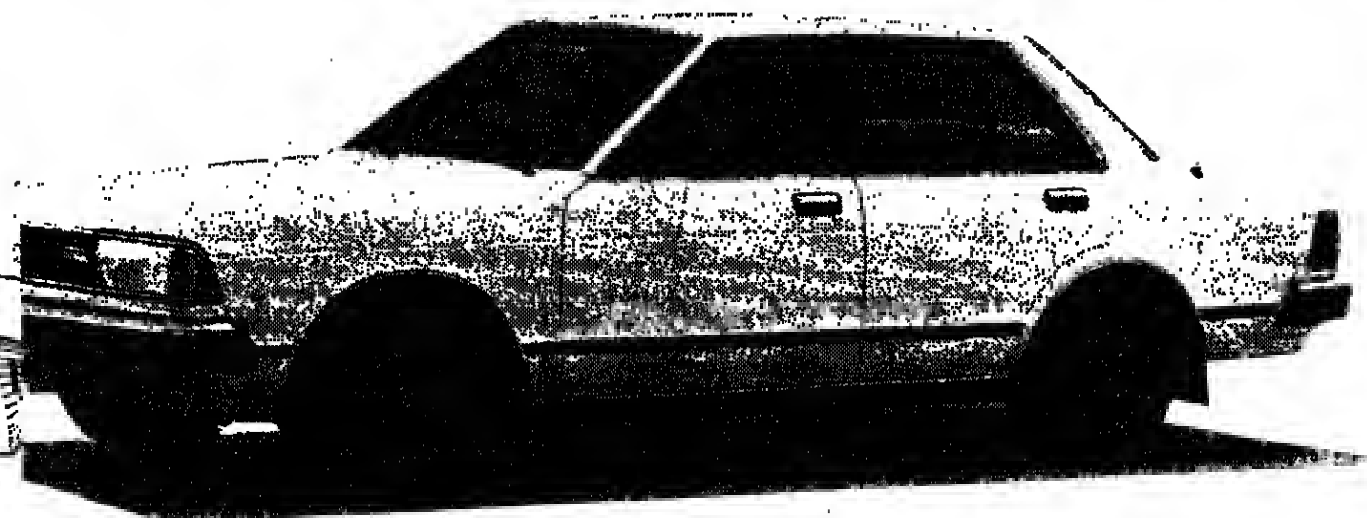
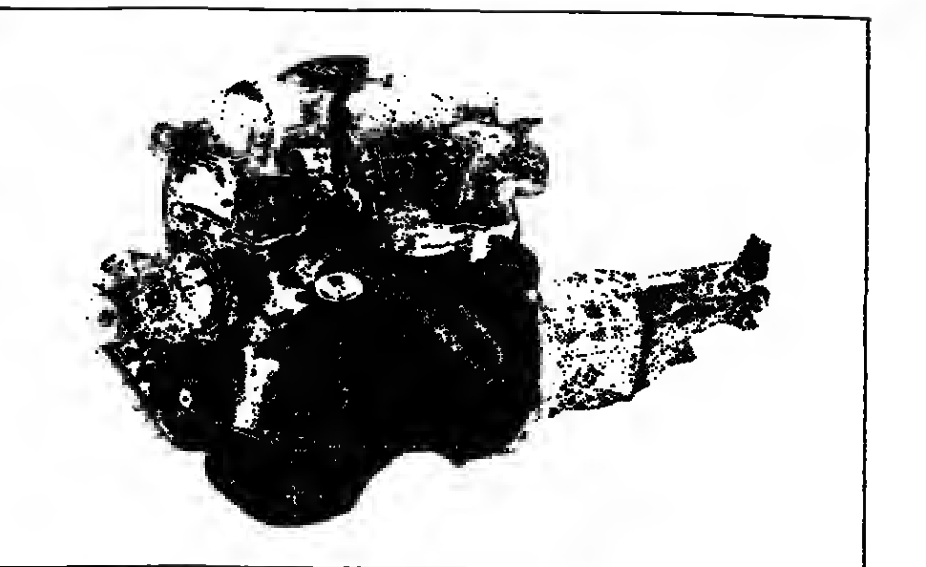
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Defense row splits French government

By Paul Webster

PARIS — A fierce debate over future defense alliance has led to a three-way split among French government parties. President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing has promised to reveal this summer his overall strategy until the end of the century.

Pressure for a return to an Atlantic defense policy is being led by the Union of French Democracy, the parties supporting the president.

Against them is the other government party, the Gaullists, who want a strengthening of the Gaullist doctrine that led to France's withdrawal from NATO's integrated command 14 years ago.

A third group of all-party deputies want France to join a European defense system. Another issue is whether France should produce the neutron bomb. Giscard will probably decide to do so.

Giscard, who seeks re-election next year, had hoped to draw up what he considers the most important policy decision of his career in a calm atmosphere, but the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan and the series of misunderstandings with the United States have been seized on by his own parties, who want Gaullist policy fundamentally changed to prove French commitment to the Atlantic Alliance.

Giscard's Union of French Democracy is the second-largest government group in parliament after the Gaullists and until now has accepted a consensus view of France's independent defense system, with its nuclear deterrent based on long-range and tactical weapons.

The consensus spilled over into the opposition, where the Communists are strong supporters of the independent deterrent and the Socialists accept the nuclear strike force as a credible defense system.

Ignoring the domestic political consequences of pressuring Giscard to throw out a Gaullist doctrine that could affect his election chances, the Union of French Democracy is supporting a return to close cooperation with the United States. It bases its demand on what it considers a revival of confrontation between the United States and the Soviet Union, with Moscow in a position of force.

The Gaullists, who are in a position of strength in both the defense ministry and the force, mean to reinforce De Gaulle's doctrine, which is seen as the key to French political influence.

The Defense Minister, Yvon Bourges, and the defense chief, Gen. Guy Mery, are both campaigning strongly for the neutron bomb, which was developed in recent French nuclear tests in the Pacific.

The weapon, which kills people without seriously damaging property, is seen as a crucial addition to an independent deterrent that would inevitably be used in Europe.

There seems little doubt that Giscard will at least give the go-ahead to further experiments with the bomb, as well as deciding on replacements for France's medium-range atomic missiles, strategic A-bomber force and five nuclear submarines. But both the reinforcement of basic Gaullist defense strategy or an outright return to "Atlanticism" could be politically dangerous.

France is much closer to the United States and NATO than for many years. Apart from taking part in the political structure of the Atlantic Alliance, French defense forces are closely linked to NATO through communications and training programs.

But France does not take a front-line position in Europe. Its troops in West Germany are based near the French frontier, and its tank-mounted tactical nuclear missiles are just inside France, where they can reach only German territory.

Since Giscard has frequently implied that present French military strategy is inflexible, he may be tempted by a halfway solution close to the European lobby, which would like to resurrect the previously ill-fated European Defense Community project.

Giscard's diplomacy during the Afghan crisis, in which he has rejected American pressures and spoken in fear of confrontation, underlines his belief that a multi-polar world is emerging rather than a confrontation of blocs. He is trying to reinforce this through alliances with Arab countries and Africa.

While Giscard has given no public indication of the way he is thinking, he could please both Gaullists and Atlanticists by supporting the neutron bomb, while offering an increased French military presence in West Germany to underline a commitment to the Atlantic Alliance.

The only credible way to prove this commitment would be for French troops to be stationed on the East German border, backed by tactical nuclear weapons. — (OFNS)

Vance gets Carter send

By Alan Tigay

WASHINGTON — Was President Jimmy Carter as surprised as the departure of Secretary of State Cyrus Vance was last August when Andrew Young, the United States' chief representative to the United Nations, was named to the post? According to the letters he wrote in the two resignations, Carter was surprised.

Carter's letter to Young was filled with appreciation and made no mention of Young's resignation. There was a letter to Vance, too, but it was cold in tone of the letter to Young. The letter mentioned the reasons for Vance's resignation, but it was under the circumstances the right decision to quit.

Carter expressed "deep regret" at Vance's resignation. "I am sure," Carter wrote, "that you will be proud of your accomplishments in this office." Vance's resignation was merely a characterization of his job.

Carter made no mention of Vance's foreign leaders—a curious omission to a departing secretary of state. But Young brought the country "the first and respect of many nations which had considered the United States to be unworthy of such a relationship." Young "truly exemplified the finest the American character." At the time, Carter wrote, he didn't thank Vance.

Part of the difference in the letters is able. When Vance resigned, Carter had been in a cooler mood, preoccupied with rescue mission in Iran, the Afghanistan, inflation and re-election in the quiet of midsummer.

But the irony of the cool letter to Vance was that Vance's resignation was a matter of principle that anyone, friend or foe, would respect. Young resigned after misrepresentation of the Palestine Liberation Organization, in violation of U.S. policy, as leading the State Department about it. Even mood and friendship can't end Carter's apparent preference for a diplomatic diplomat who regularly misrepresents the administration before his resignation, especially esteemed quintessential diplomat.

What explains the preference? For Young has a political base that is Carter's re-election effort; by sparing Young, the president stood to lose vote no base and is not even a politician.

There were many who believed Young was Carter's wish — if not his out to be met with the PLO. Last month, in Z Carter's official representative to the independence celebrations, Young met PLO officials. Carter didn't say a word. Vance expressed sharp disapproval of mission. Carter's bitterness was demonstrated off Carter gave Vance ill recommendation Vance for future mission his former boss. — (NYT)

THE ONLY VIABLE PEACE

Monday marked the expiry of the deadline for the so-called Palestinian autonomy talks between Egypt and Israel, conducted with the participation of their "full partner", the United States. As was expected, the talks came to nothing. In fact, Egypt suspended its participation last week, in the face of Israel's constant provocation, its insistence on retaining control of the occupied territories, and its accelerating colonization of them. The talks, in fact, were doomed from the start. They were the issue of the unjust Camp David approach to the Palestinian problem; an approach rejected outright by all the other parties to it, especially the people most concerned, the Palestinians.

The occasion was marked, aptly, by the resignation of Ezer Weizman, Israel's minister of defense — the last in a long line of resignations, all of them more or less connected with the direction of the talks and the clear impasse they were heading to. In Israel and the United States, Moshe Dayan and Cyrus Vance have already gone. In Egypt, Ismail Fahmy, Muhammad Riad, Muhammad Ibrahim Kamel, Gen. Gamasi and, most recently, Dr. Mustapha Khalil — have all realized that it would be better not to associate their names with this "peace initiative" any longer. All had the feeling that the ship was sinking and that it was time to scurry out of it.

Will the impressive casualty list make the parties concerned change their mind about their approach to peace in the Middle East? Almost certainly not. They are expected to agree on a further six months' extension, although they are well aware that nothing positive will be accomplished thereby. The reasons for this are various. The Americans need the time to get them over the presidential elections and the paralysis this imposes on their policy-making. The Israelis can always use more time to tighten their grip on the occupied territories. Egypt, or at least the official leadership, has nothing further to lose, and has to soldier on regardless.

The three parties to the Camp David approach have built their hopes on an evasion of one simple and decisive truth, one which was articulated with admirable clarity by Crown Prince Fahd in his interview with the *Washington Post*. This was that the only viable peace settlement is one which is based on complete Israeli withdrawal from the occupied territories, including Jerusalem, so that the Palestinians can determine their political fate therein in complete freedom. There can be no real peace in the area until the historic injustice inflicted on the Palestinians is removed, and their legitimate rights, including the right to an independent state are recognized.

Plutonium time-bomb threatens California

By William Scoble

SAN FRANCISCO — Two Californian women who call themselves "lab widows" have triggered a federal inquiry into mysterious accidents and a rash of cancer cases — including three deaths — at Lawrence Livermore Laboratory. America's Number One nuclear weapons research center.

The probe, which started last week is one of three under way at the trouble-plagued, top-secret lab that developed the H-bomb, 30 miles east of San Francisco. U.S. Energy Department investigators are already seeking the cause of two spills of deadly plutonium dust, some of which escaped into the atmosphere. And geologists' teams are re-evaluating the earthquake threat to Livermore in the wake of a tremor that caused a radioactive leak and \$3.5 million damage at the "quake-proof" facility last January.

Ann Gunn and Jo McSwiggan, the "lab widows," watched their husbands die "terrible deaths" last year from melanoma, a virulent skin cancer. Now they are suing the lab for \$10 million, charging that scientist Stuart Gunn and engineer Richard McSwiggan — both in their forties and both Livermore workers for over a decade — were victims of lax safety precautions.

Twenty-three cases of melanoma have been detected at Lawrence Livermore — a rate five to six times that of people in the San Francisco area. Relatives of the afflicted were outraged when a lab spokesman recently suggested this startlingly high incidence among the 6,000 workers might be due to

over-exposure to ultra-violet rays "as employees play volleyball in the sun on lunch-breaks."

"That's typical of the lab's flippant attitude," says Gunn family lawyer Lloyd Hains. "They consistently play down this thing."

The lawsuits were a key factor in Washington's decision to send a team of five top scientists from universities across the U.S. to Livermore to review the job histories of the three dead and 20 surviving patients and report back in 60 days on causes of the "cancer cluster." Dr. Arthur Upton, former head of the National Cancer Institute, heads the panel.

"Something's wrong up there," said Mrs. Gunn. "Stuart told me just before he died he hoped his death would force the lab to investigate."

Twice in nine days last month, puzzling spills of plutonium — accidents that experts said "just couldn't happen" — occurred at Livermore, which houses the giant \$35 million Shiva laser system crucial to thermonuclear weapons research. The first spill came when pressure built up inside a "glove tank" holding plutonium. A relief valve failed, causing a thick rubber glove to burst, spewing dust — deadly if ingested — into Lab 1361, empty at the time. Some dust escaped through a filter system and was carried across homes, fields and vineyards.

Livermore scientists called the release, at 300,000 picocuries, "harmless and insignificant." But several leading nuclear experts disagree. One said the leak could be 10 times larger, because the filter measuring system gave the most conservative

estimate. Dr. John Gofman, a University of California physics professor and former medical chief at the lab, said such a leak could cause 40 cancer cases if particles were inhaled.

Plutonium spill Number Two was smaller. Again the lab was empty. Its causes is still under investigation. A spokesman says sabotage "cannot be ruled out."

A third study being made is of equally keen interest to politicians and various Californian protest groups fighting to move the plutonium project out or close the lab. Would a major earthquake on one of the four faults nearby cause a nuclear disaster?

The U.S. geological survey recently identified a new fault, christened the Las Positas, running only 50 feet from the lab — an active fissure given a quake capability of 6.5 on the Richter scale. Ten miles away, the Calaveras fault has an estimated capacity of producing a 7.7 Richter scale quake.

That would be 1,000 times stronger than the 5.4 jolt that hit Lawrence Livermore last January, causing small cracks to appear in the 20-year-old concrete containment building that houses some 400 lbs of plutonium.

Lawrence Livermore today is a threat to everyone in the San Francisco area," says Oakland supervisor John George, in whose district the lab lies. "We want it out."

"If the big one hits and the plutonium escapes," adds Friends of the Earth spokesman Andrew Baldwin, "millions of lives could be lost. We'd say goodbye to an awful lot of northern California."

saudi arabian press review

In a headline story, *Al-Jazirah* Monday quoted West German Finance Minister Hans Matthöfer as saying the German dialogue with the Kingdom includes all aspects and Bonn's relations with the Arab world are guided by the European Common Market countries. *Al-Riyadh* said in a lead story, quoting the British assistant foreign secretary, that the upcoming European summit will specify a date for a European initiative on the Middle East.

Al-Medina highlighted in its lead the Pakistani President's remarks that Saudi Arabia and Pakistan have similar views on many issues. *Okaz* led with the U.N. Security Council's decision this week to discuss the Jerusalem issue, while *Al-Yom* played as its lead story Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad Abd Al-Khalil's statement that the OPEC Finance Ministers will discuss an increase in the capital of OPEC's fund for the third time.

The newspapers frontpaged the arrival of Crown Prince Fahd in the Moroccan city of Fez, where he was welcomed by King Hassan II. Premier Bu Obaid, Interior Minister Basri and other top officials. Some newspapers said in

front-page stories that Pakistan is preparing to ask for a Security Council meeting to discuss the Jerusalem issue. They also gave frontpage play to the talks between the Finance Ministers of Saudi Arabia and West Germany on possible ways of bringing about a reform in the monetary system in the world. The Tunisian Prime Minister's reported support for the resumption of relations with Libya figured prominently in *Okaz* newspaper.

The newspaper editorials continued to comment on the development of the situation in the Middle East and Afghanistan. They warned against the Soviet call to recognize the Communist regime in Kabul in exchange for the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan. The editorials referred to Israeli Defense Minister Ezer Weizman's resignation, saying it does not mean that any government in Israel will give up the Zionist expansionist policy. They described the resignation as only an external Zionist tactic to cope with the situation developing

in Israel. Concentrating on Prince Fahd's current visit to Morocco, *Al-Medina* said it is a significant link in the chain of Saudi Arabia's diplomatic moves for consultations and exchange of views, with a view of clearing the Arab atmosphere from rifts and differences. The paper urged Arabs to strive for unity in the interest of the nation. It added that Saudi Arabia has dedicated itself to working for the realization of unity and solidarity.

In an editorial, *Al-Bilad* called upon the Arab leaders to take into consideration Prince Fahd's recent views given to Kuwaiti paper *Al-Rai Al-Am*, while discussing radical solutions for the problems of the Arab world. The paper said the crown prince has crystallized many crucial issues and gave due emphasis to Arab solidarity which can open the way for the liberation of occupied Arab lands, the recognition of the Palestinian rights to self-determination and the establishment of an independent state of Palestine. The paper

made it clear that Saudi Arabia has not been effected by the Colonialist-Communist-Zionist campaign against its firm stances on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

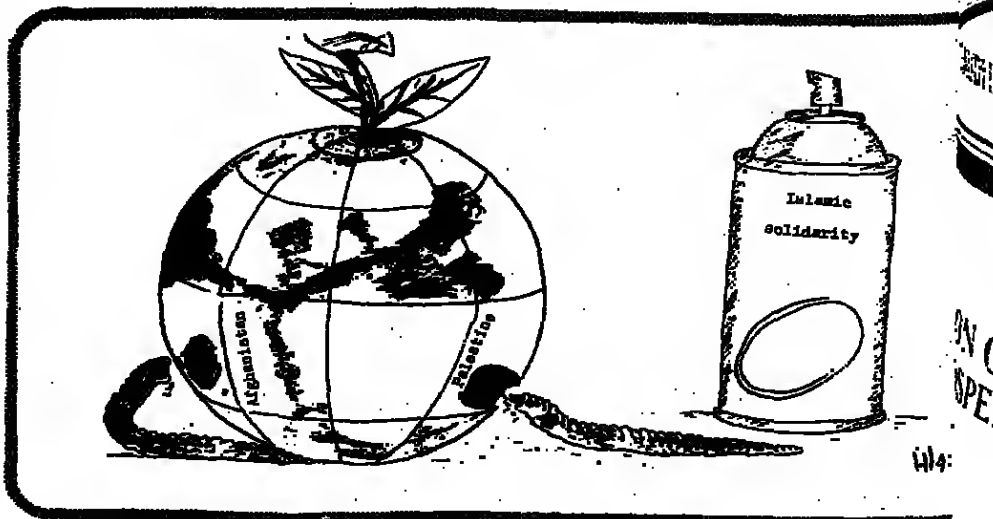
Dwelling on the Islamic move to call an urgent meeting of the Security Council to discuss Afghanistan, *Okaz* said the move aims at pinpointing the responsibility of the international community toward the Israeli behavior and its transgression as well as its lack of sense of commitment to the resolutions calling for the restoration of Jerusalem and the withdrawal of Israel from occupied Arab territories.

Al-Jazirah dealt with the Soviet call to recognize the Communist regime in Afghanistan in exchange for the Soviet withdrawal from that country. The paper said the Kremlin leaders have sensed, in the light of the resolutions of the Islamabad conference, that they cannot afford to pursue their indifferent attitude toward the worldwide condemnation of their occupation of Afghanistan. The paper said the

Soviet Union aims at keeping its stooge in power in Afghanistan, to enable it to plan as it pleases throughout the Afghan territory. This, the paper said, will help the Soviets adhere to their strategy while the United States and its Western allies will be satisfied with the Soviet withdrawal from Afghanistan.

Al-Nadwa discussed the resignation of Weizman, saying it might be part of a plan to topple the Begin government in Israel and to form a new government on the so-called moderate basis. The paper warned against this misleading idea and said that Weizman and Moshe Dayan are among the leading figures of an aggressive gang, and they simply continue changing their roles to suit the prevailing situations.

Al-Yom also discussed the same subject, saying Weizman's resignation does not make any difference for the Arabs, for they know that the Israelis represent the two faces of one coin and all of them work for the success of the Zionist expansionist plans. It said that Weizman's resignation appears to be yet another nail to be struck in the coffin of Begin's extremist government, which is likely to fall.



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Carven haute couture

Paris high fashion comes to Jeddah

By Raana Siddiqi

JEDDAH — Francki Tacque de Baisieux joined the House of Carven thirty years ago as a model and quickly reached the position of vice-president of haute couture and ready to wear.

Now, Mme. de Baisieux is in Jeddah for the Carven fashion show, scheduled for Tuesday evening at the Meridien Hotel. This is not Francki's first visit to the Kingdom. Last year she came for a fashion show that went over well with the fashion conscious ladies of

Jeddah. She is also the designer for Saudia and the Meridien uniforms and often makes business trips in the Kingdom to work out the designs. She is well known as a uniform designer for Air France, SAS, French Women's Police, Kodak and other companies.

Francki's rooms at the Meridien with their connecting doors were bustling with activity. The organizers, models, helpers and even the telephone demanded Francki's constant attention. For now, she was going through the afternoon tryout for the models.

Mme. de Baisieux brought with her twenty five haute couture styles from Paris and selected twenty five ready to wear dresses from the Carven Boutique in Jeddah along with shoes, bags and other fashion paraphanelia.

Most of the dresses to be displayed at the fashion show here were specially designed to suit the Saudi Arabian taste and are within the accepted limits of "openness." Saudi ladies, according to Francki, are well-traveled and know a lot about fashion. Therefore, the colors and styles chosen are a la mode, but slightly altered.

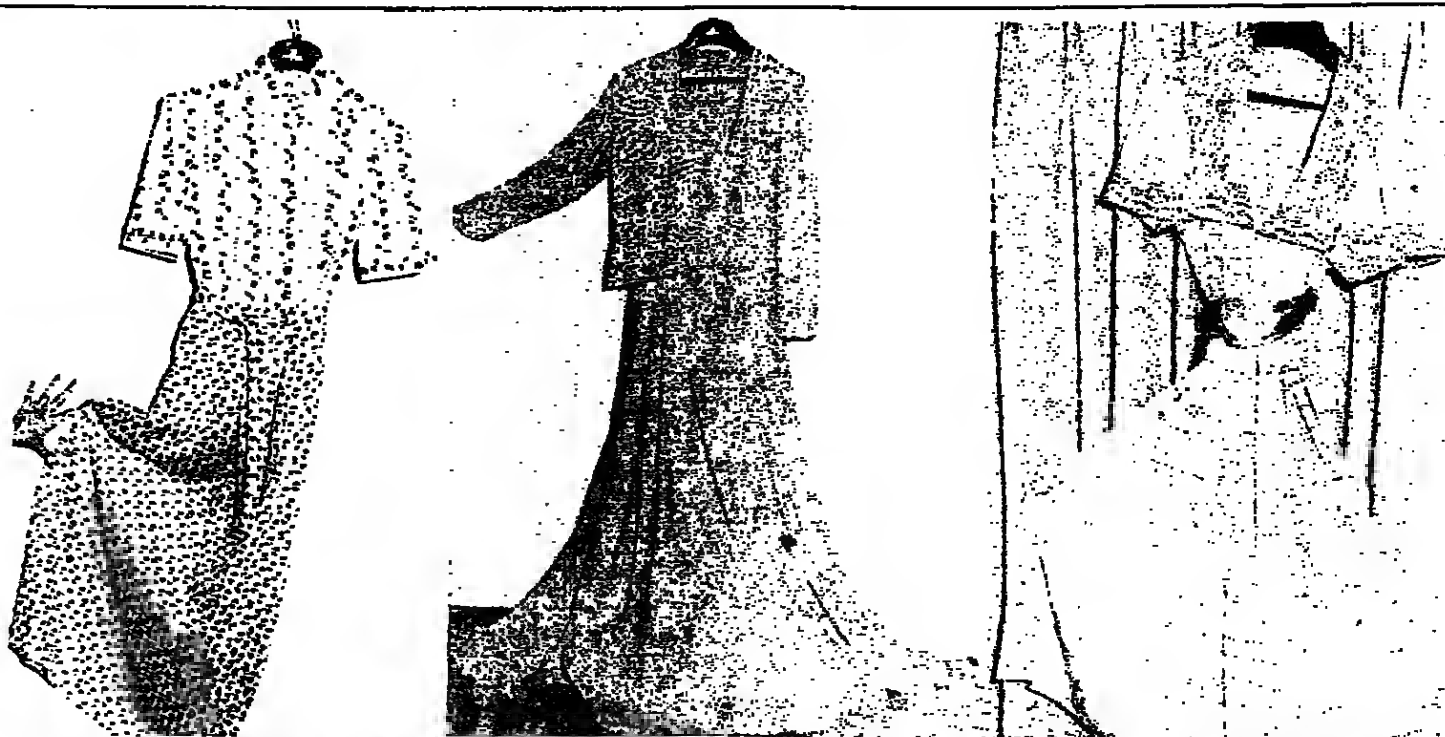
Pure silk and silk chiffon, lace and cotton fabric exclusively made and printed for Carven is exquisite — cut simple with indented waistline, skirts swinging in colors bright and breathtaking.

"The new fashion colors," Francki said, "are bright, almost aggressive shades of pink, purple and fuchsias. They are perfect for the beautiful Saudi complexion. To suit the sultry climate all the fabrics used for the Jeddah fashion show are feather weight and airy."

Francki displayed a beautiful white cotton dress with cutwork embroidery perfect for a hot day. A matching "canotier" hat trimmed with flowers or a streaming ribbon is reminiscent of Renoir paintings and could be used at garden parties anywhere in Europe. Showing a long, cool dress in cool summer florals, Mme. de Baisieux explained, "This dress of coordinate cotton decline and shiny cotton was specially designed for Carven's Jeddah boutique for daytime use."



BEAUTY: A bridal dress (top) in traditionally romantic white lace with a long tulle train. A beautiful evening gown (right) in shades of pink and green geometric design, shoulders slightly padded — cuff, collar and belt are in plain shocking pink.



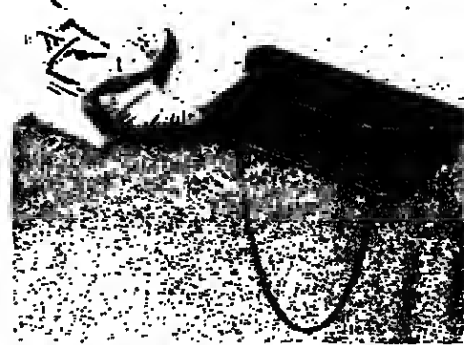
LIGHT'N' BREEZY: (from the left) A long dress in bright summery floral design—especially designed for the Carven Boutique in Jeddah. Swirling dreamy dress of gorgeous chiffon has shoulders discreetly covered by the ornate jacket. In the last dress, hemlines have come up to knee length. This Mexican style dress is young and charming.

Talking about the Carven fashion show for the spring and summer of '80, Mme. de Baisieux said that although bright floral designs are in vogue, a lot of geometric designs and stripes also have come back. Loose tops and shapeless kaftans have been replaced by body clinging, neatly squared shoulders slightly padded, slightly puffed sleeves, with cowl-draped necklines. Sleeveless dresses have appeared gingerly, but more in vogue seem to be long and short long-sleeve dresses for day and afternoon use. Hemlines are just below the knee cap. Day wear clothes are in cool whites or soothing shades of pink and blue.

Evening wear is long and swinging in dreamy silks and chiffons in gorgeous shades of poison pinks, green, fuchsias and, of course, blacks. "French people love black, especially for the evening," Francki said. "It is also well suited for the naturally tanned Saudi women."

Pants are very much 'in' at Carven line shows. The Jodhpurs, (wide on the hips and narrow bottomed), silk pants with silk tops are a big fashion style. Francki let out a secret, saying by next season flared-bottom pants will be making a come-back.

Accessories include shoes and bags in matching colors. This season's bags are small pocketbook style with shoulder chains. Francki also said gold shoes and bags are not as fashionable this season, both should be color coordinated with the dress. Sandals are delicate, with about an eight centimeter high heel. She chuckled as she said "stringy sandals are in fashion—the less leather used, the more fashionable and expensive the footwear."



ELEGANCE: Stringy sandals (top) and the new look in bags. A poison pink lace dress (right) is elegantly simple with slightly tufted sleeves.

Delicate chains just touching the neck and small earrings are in style. Bangles in coordinated colors to match the dress are also in vogue this season. Belts in all widths from very narrow to wide and sashes are an absolute must.

Make up is fresh and cool. Eye shadows are in shades of pink and mauve and hair in a single braid starting at the crown. Francki said Saudi Arabian women with their beautiful eyes and wheat complexions are very elegant. "Women here are so different from their Western counterparts. They take time to remain feminine. We are running around too much, doing too many things and pay little attention to ourselves. Saudi women take care of themselves in a much better way and are so charming and pleasing to the eye."

Francki has brought the new Carven perfume called "Madame de Carven." This per-



fume, according to Francki, has been influenced by exotic Middle Eastern herbs. A sample of the new perfume will be presented to each guest at the fashion show. The show is sponsored by the Al Khairiyah Women's Welfare Society in collaboration with Air France and the Meridien Hotel. Tickets are selling fast, but if any are left they may be purchased at the door. Show time is 7:00. Doors open at 6:45.

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IOC will announce games entrants today

LAUSANNE, Switzerland May 26 (R) — The final figures on which countries will attend the games will be announced by the International Olympic Committee in Lausanne Tuesday. The United States has claimed success for its efforts to mount a boycott of the games as a protest against the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan.

The Americans say at least 60 countries will boycott the games and only 71 are certain to go. But Soviet officials said 102 countries have said they will take part in the games and said the boycott attempt was a failure which dealt a severe blow to President Carter's prestige.

Among the big countries joining the American boycott are West Germany, China, Japan and Canada. But the Soviet Union said the boycott attempt was a failure because a majority of nations would send teams to Moscow, including such traditional American allies as Australia, Britain, France, Italy

Italian team escapes scandal

MILAN, Italy (AP) — Italy's soccer "court" Monday cleared the mighty Juventus team of Turin of any involvement in a nationwide game-fixing scandal, but it suspended from play for three years Bologna's famous striker Giuseppe Savoldi.

It was the second round the sentences handed down by the disciplinary commission of the soccer league. In its first sentence the "court" relegated to the second league A.C. Milan, which won the 1979 title, and Paolo Rossi, the national team's star striker, was suspended from play for three years.

In addition to Juventus, the main defendant, the court in its latest decision also acquitted team President Gianviero Boniperti and coach Giovanni Trapattoni. Juventus has won the league title 18 times, a record. Juventus could have been dropped to the second division if found guilty of a charge of pre-arranging a 1-1 tie in a match with Bologna last January to benefit an illegal betting group.

Bologna itself was penalized five points at

and New Zealand.

In Canberra, the president of the Amateur Athletics Union of Australia Alan McDonald Monday called on the Australian Olympic Federation (AOF) to reconsider its decision to send a team to the Moscow Olympics.

McDonald who stressed he was speaking personally, told the Australian Associated Press (AAP) news agency in an interview he was surprised and disappointed at the weekend decision of the federation.

He said the decision means young people would be going against the wishes of their government in attending the Olympics, and he hopes the federation will reconsider its position.

The Australian women's hockey and Equestrian teams have withdrawn from the games and the federal government of Prime Minister Malcolm Fraser has strongly backed the U.S. boycott movement.

the start of the next season for allegedly rigging a game with Avellino in February. Another Bologna player, Carlo Petrini, was suspended from play for three years while Bologna President Tommaso Fabbretti got a one-year suspension.

Rutherford victorious at Indy 500

INDIANAPOLIS, May 26 (AP) — Johnny Rutherford is moving easily ahead of second-place Rick Mears, to win Sunday's Indianapolis 500-mile (800-km) race. Rutherford, who won Indy 500 races previously in 1974 and 1976, led most of the race, although nine other drivers were in front at one time or another.

Nobody was able to build a safe lead because of many yellow caution lights displayed for crashes and tow-ins. Two drivers, rookies Dick Ferguson and Bill Whittington, suffered minor leg injuries in separate collisions with the Indianapolis Motor Speedway wall. Three former Indy winners were among the early dropouts, including brothers Al and Bobby Unser and Mario Andretti.

Beziers wins 8th title in French Rugby Union

PARIS, May 26 (AFP) — A five star forward display saw Beziers lift their eighth French Rugby Union title by beating Stade Toulousain 10-6 before a capacity 50,000 crowd at Parc Des Princes Stadium Sunday. They now join two other clubs — Lourdes and Stade Français — as being the only team to have won the title eight times.

Beziers, a side noted for the toughness of their pack over the years, were well on top in the first half and went 10-0 up through tries by Fabre (8 mins) and Y. Buonomo (35 mins). Decanioni converting the second.

The second half, however, saw Stade Toulousain, captained by Jean-Pierre Rives, open up. They clawed their way back into contention with two penalties from G. Martinez after 53 and 58 mins and came within a score of winning when international full-back Serge Gahenet spilled a pass with the line in sixth in the final minute.



BOUNTFUL EARTH: Two competitors in a tandem motorcycle scramble race at Ruderberg, Germany found themselves covered with slime after a cloudburst turned the track into a sea of mud. This photo, titled "Spinning up the Dirt," won second prize recently in the World Press Photo competition.

W. Indies cricketers bowl by Derbyshire

LONDON, May 26 (AP) — The West Indian Tourists were limited to a lead of only 61 by some accurate seam bowling and sharp fielding from Derbyshire at Chesterfield Sunday. The West Indians were quickly into their stride with Bacchus and Greenidge threatening a massive total in a rapid opening

stand worth 105.

Bacchus hit a dozen fours in a vivid 62, but then Derbyshire clawed their way back with a spell in which three wickets went for the addition of 14 runs. Mike Hendrick bowled Viv Richards for four before Lloyd Kaucharran again put the Tourists on. They added 103 for

the fourth wicket before Walters had Lloyd caught behind and Barry Wood returned to the attack to press home the breakthrough.

He finally got rid of Kallicharran when he had made 88, and at the close the Tourists were 290 for seven, a far more modest total than had seemed likely.

Roberts takes French cycle Grand Prix

LE CASTELLET, France, May 26 (AFP) — Reigning world 500cc motorcycle champion Ken Roberts of the United States won the French Motorcycle 500cc Grand Prix here Sunday in fine style.

Roberts wheeled his Yamaha 500 across the finishing line, using only his rear wheel, to put fellow American Randy Mamola into the second slot. Italy's Marco Luchinelli, who scored first in the trials, came third.

Roberts, who is now well placed to retain his title already having won the first two legs of the world championship, covered the race's 21 laps in 44 minutes 3.98 seconds — just five and a half seconds ahead of Mamola.

His achievement was all the more impressive as he started out badly, lying fourth after five laps behind Luchinelli, Mamola, and

Italy's Graziano Rossi. But the American rider sensed the danger and stepped up his pace to reach second slot at the eighth lap. After deftly negotiating the notorious bridge bend, where British rider Barry Sheene fell out, Roberts took the lead at the 19th lap midway through the race and held off the opposition until the finish.

On top his victory, Kenny Roberts recorded the 500cc race's fastest lap time of two minutes, 5.79 seconds, at an average speed of 167.610 kilometers an hour.

The 350cc event appeared to be a three-way split between Venezuela's "Caracas Kid," Ekertold and France's Eric Saul.

However, a few meters from the finishing line, the Blomota motorcycle of South African Ekertold swept away from Cecotto's Yamaha

U.S. women Federation champions

BERLIN, West Germany, May 26 (AP) — The American women's tennis team won their fifth consecutive Federation Cup title Sunday, downing Australia 3-0. In singles, Chris Evert-Lloyd outlasted Dianne Fromholtz 4-6, 6-1, 6-1 and Tracy Austin brushed aside Wendy Turnbull 6-3, 6-2.

Rosemary Casals and Kathy Jordan battled Fromholtz and Susan Leo into the evening before coming out on top 2-6, 6-4, 6-4.

The concluding doubles rewarded the few hundred remaining spectators from an origi-

nal crowd of more than 6,000 with the most spectacular tennis of the day. All four players slugged it out for every point, but the match had only statistical value as the silver Federation Cup trophy already had been awarded to the U.S. squad after the second singles match.

America has won this women's world championship for national teams 10 times, beating the Australians the last five years in a row. Australia took the title six out of 18 times, with South Africa and Czechoslovakia being the only teams ever to break the dominance of America and Australia.

Graham wins Memorial golf tourney

DUBLIN, Ohio, May 26 (AP) — Dav Graham, the slender Australian who hol the PGA championship, dropped an 18-foot (5.4 m) birdie putt on the final hole and became golf's greatest player, Tom Watson, by single stroke Sunday in the Memorial Golf Tournament.

The dramatic birdie completed a first round 2-under-par 70 and enabled him to set the course record at 280, eight shots under par on the Muirfield Village Golf Club layout Jack Nicklaus created on 7,116 yards of a hilly Ohio countryside.

It was a remarkable surge over the last 10 holes in which Graham made up three strokes on Watson to lift him out of the close bunched pack that, at one time or another, saw seven different players leading or sharing the lead over the final 18 holes.

Eventually, the subtle demands of the final nine holes, winding through valleys and forests and around ponds and streams, reduced the contenders to two, Watson and Graham. Watson, the defending champion here, a shooting for a sixth victory of the season, was inside Graham on the final hole and had a 15-foot (4.5 m) birdie putt of his own to after the Australian's ball found the cup. He missed it and had to settle for second with a closing 71 and a 281 total.

Mike Reid was next at 70 with a tournament final of, 282. Tom Weiskopf, much in the title hunt until making a bogey from a bunker on the 17th, matched par and was tied with old pro Miller Barber 283. Barber had a wildly erratic 73 that included four birdies and five bogeys.

In Corning, New York, Donna Cap Young faltered on the last seven holes of day, but hung on to win the Ladies Professional Golf Association's \$100,000 Corning Classic with a 2-over-par 74 final round that left her 2 strokes ahead of rookie Myra V. Hoese.

Young finished the 72-hole tournament with a 7-under-par 281. The victory was third of the season for the 35-year-old veteran golfer.

Young led from the start of the four-tournament and held a two-stroke lead going into the championship round. But bogeyed the 11th and 14 holes and made double bogey on No. 13 to slip within strokes of Lori Garbacz with three holes to play.

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Kuwaiti Dinar	12.46	12.46	12.46
Jordanian Dinar	11.28	11.29	11.29
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Iraqi Dinar (100)	—	—	—
Yemeni Ryal (100)	73.75	73.25	73.25
Moroccan Dirham (100)	81.50	81.60	81.60
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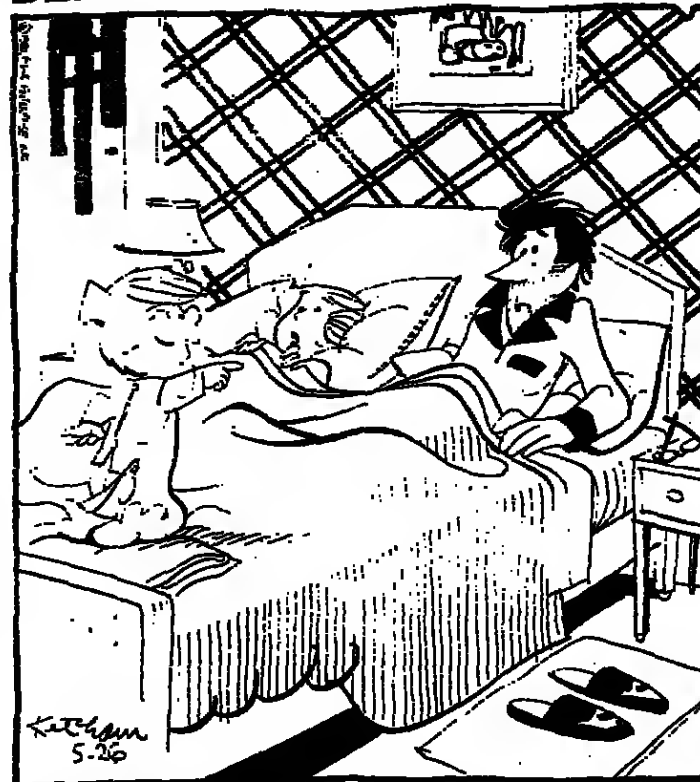
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 ♠ K Q 10 8
 ♥ 9 8 5 2
 ♦ K 9 7
 ♣ K J

EAST
 ♠ 5 3 2
 ♥ 7
 ♦ A Q 2
 ♣ 9 8 7 5 2

SOUTH
 ♠ A J 9
 ♥ K J 10 6 4 3
 ♦ 10 6 4
 ♣ A

The bidding:
 South West North East
 1♥ Pass 1♠ Pass
 2♥ Pass 4♥

Opening lead — seven of spades.

Generally speaking, signals by the defenders take two forms — they are either positive or negative. Signals to each other are among the most valuable tools the defenders can employ to help them overcome the natural handicap of defense.

A positive signal is the play of a card higher than necessary. Thus, if your partner leads the king of a suit and you hold the A-K-Q, your play of the eight is a signal asking your partner to continue the suit.

West thereupon shifts to a low diamond and, when declarer plays the king from dummy, the defenders cash three diamond tricks to put the contract down two. If West had not switched to a diamond, declarer would have made the contract easily.

West's diamond lead at trick four is based on East's signals in spades and clubs. East signaled negatively by playing the deuce of each of those suits. In effect, East asked his partner to lead the only suit left — diamonds. East's negative signals thus produced a positive result.

Your Individual Horoscope

Frances Drake
FOR TUESDAY, MAY 27, 1992

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) ♈
 You may have some mistaken notions. Not a time to sign papers, esp if money or credit is involved. Petty irritations possible.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) ♉
 Care needed in financial dealings. Romantic trends prevail, but watch arguments or misunderstandings about money questions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) ♊
 Don't assume you know what makes another person tick. You may be feeling the strain of everyday pressures on the job.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) ♋
 Avoid a tendency to take on too much at once. What is not said affects romantic harmony. Be direct and straightforward with others.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22) ♌
 You may not be sure where you stand in a relationship. Your attention is centered on domestic affairs but social obligations conflict.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) ♍
 A home worry makes it hard to concentrate on business. Be tactful in talks with ups, who may get nerves.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) ♎
 The ethical ramifications of a financial concern is your uncertainty to extend to those who you SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) ♏
 You're somewhat glib in financial matters but life is active, but you nervous about an matter.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) ♐
 Close allies don't want to leave you also need for privacy interpreted as shutting out. Career prospers.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19) ♑
 Friends could get nerves or interfere with that needs to be away from those prone to upset you.

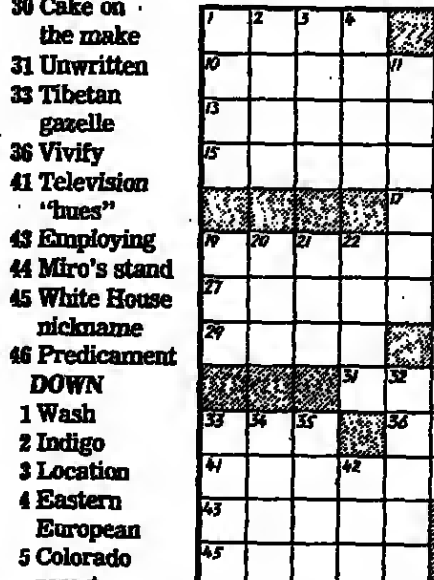
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18) ♒
 You'll want to business at a social but your timing is career interests dur hours only.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20) ♓
 Your mind's on ce you could be forget the house. The prospect of town visitors in you nervous.

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

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| ACROSS | 6 Greek letter |
| 1 Scottish maid | 7 Klaxon |
| 5 Heart, tooth and back complaints | 8 Lake port |
| 10 Old-womanish | 9 French seaport |
| 12 TV favorite | 11 Jubilant |
| 13 Life-giving force | 14 Shock |
| 15 Lift up | 18 Assist in wrong-doing |
| 16 Born in France | 19 Saloon |
| 17 Sandwich filling | 20 Spanish river |
| 19 Shameless | 21 Constellation |
| 23 Inveigle | 22 WWII fighter plane |
| 27 Made public | 24 Museum holdings |
| 28 Lenity | 25 Cocktail ingredient |
| 29 Crowd response | 35 Grasping |
| 30 Cake on the make | |
| 31 Unwritten | |
| 33 Tibetan gazelle | |
| 36 Vivify | |
| 41 Television "buses" | |
| 43 Employing | |
| 44 Miro's stand | |
| 45 White House nickname | |
| 46 Predicament | |



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 NGQ BK RWGRWCBCGK CG
 QLHDQA NGQ YFUH NGQ
 CG EBY. — G. F. IF C
 Yesterday's Cryptquote: LOVE SOUGHT IS G
 GIVEN UNSOUGHT IS BETTER — SHAKESPEARE

arab news CALENDAR

DHAHRAN TV

4:30 Children's Show
 5:43 Why Can't I Go Home
 Speech & Hearing Spot
 6:09 Sanford & Son
 Safety Film
 6:55 Horizon
 7:24 White Shadow
 8:21 Family
 9:09 Libe

VOA

7:00 News Roundup
 Reports: Actualities
 Opinion: Analysts
 8:30 Daily News
 News Summary
 9:00 Special English
 News: Feature, The Making of a Nation
 News Summary
 9:30 Music USA
 (Standard)
 10:00 News Roundup
 Reports: Actualities
 10:05 Closing: Analysts

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 2:02 News Summary
 2:10 Saudi Tabligh
 2:20 On Islam
 2:30 Radio Magazine
 3:00 NEWS
 3:10 Press Review
 3:15 Mela
 3:20 World of Machines
 3:30 A Selection of Music
 3:40
 3:50 Closesdown

Evening Transmission

9:00 Opening
 9:01 Holy Quran
 9:02 Goss of Guidance
 9:10 Light Music
 9:15 The Evening Show
 9:45 Reflections of a Muslim
 10:00 Islamic Contributions
 10:10 Music
 10:15 NEWS
 10:25 S. A. — A Daily Chronicle
 11:00 Bonquet
 11:00 The World of the Guitar
 11:15 Round and About
 11:45 On Islam
 12:00 In the Quiet
 12:30 Music
 12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
 01:00 Closesdown

BBC

Morning Transmission

8:00 World News
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 8:30 World News
 8:30 Saudi Ward
 8:45 World Today
 9:00 Newsweek
 9:30 Sports Star
 10:00 World News
 10:09 Twenty-Four Hours
 10:30 News Summary
 10:45 Saudi Ward
 10:45 Something to Show You

Evening Transmission

1:15 Ulster in Focus
 1:30 Discovery
 2:00 World News
 2:09 News about Britain
 2:15 Alphabet of Musical Notes
 2:30 Sports International
 2:40 Radio Newswel
 3:15 Promenade Concert
 3:45 Sports Round-up
 4:00 World News
 4:09 Twenty-Four Hours: News Summary
 4:30 The Pleasure of Your's
 5:15 Report on Religion
 6:00 Radio Newswel
 6:15 Outlook
 7:00 World News
 7:09 Commentary
 7:15 Sherlock Holmes
 7:45 World Today
 8:00 World News
 8:09 Books and Writers

8:30 Take One
 8:45 Sports Round-up
 9:00 World News
 9:09 News about Britain
 9:15 Radio Newswel
 9:30 Farming World
 10:00 Outlook News Summary
 10:30 Stock Market Report
 10:43 Look Ahead
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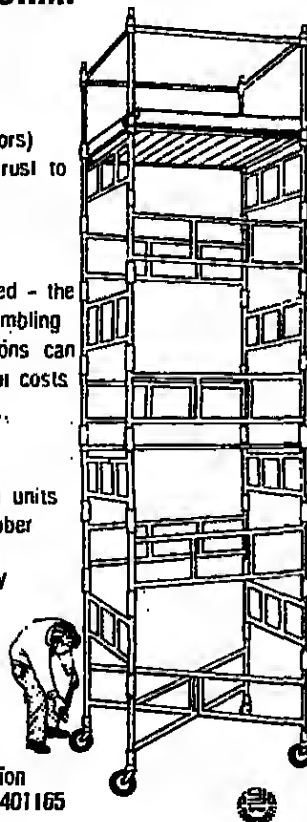
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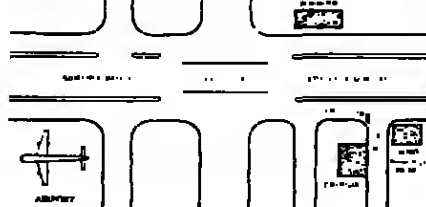
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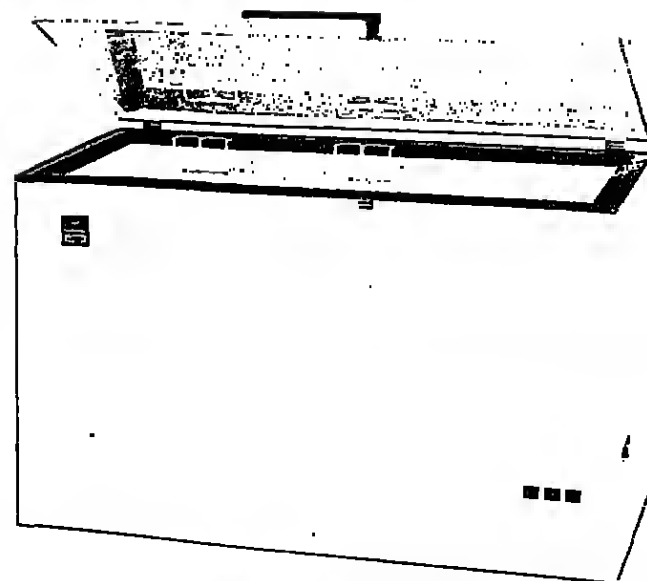
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Tanks, troops advance on Kwangju

Martial law authorities demand rebel students surrender weapons

KWANGJU, South Korea, May 26 (Agencies) — The South Korean army Monday moved tanks to the outskirts of the city of Kwangju, breaking barricades to try to quell a week-old revolt and persuade student protesters to lay down their arms.

The tanks, which had been perched on a hill about 15 kilometers from the city center, moved forward in darkness during a heavy rain while the barricades were unmanned. One unit advanced about a kilometer and a half down a main boulevard while a second broke off and rumbled down a side street leading to the heart of the city.

Groups of soldiers, rifles ready, streamed in after the tanks rammed through barricades formed of burnt-out buses, trucks and cars. They encountered no resistance.

The martial law authorities had set noon Monday as the deadline for insurgents to surrender their weapons. It was the latest of many deadlines that have come and gone unheeded and unenforced.

Meanwhile, the governments of South and North Korea traded allegations about the unrest. In Seoul, the culture and information minister, Lee Kyu-Pyo, said Pyongyang would try to use the instability of South Korea to bring about unification of North and South under Communist rule.

He said North Korea staged a public rally in Pyongyang Sunday in support of the Kwangju insurgents. "Westerners warn North

Korea to immediately stop all maneuverings aimed at overthrowing the Republic of Korea," he said.

But the North Korean News Agency scoffed at the South's claims and said in the official newspaper: "We have no intention of invading the South nor of interfering in the complicated situation there."

The martial law command had said Sunday insurgents had "broken off" negotiations.

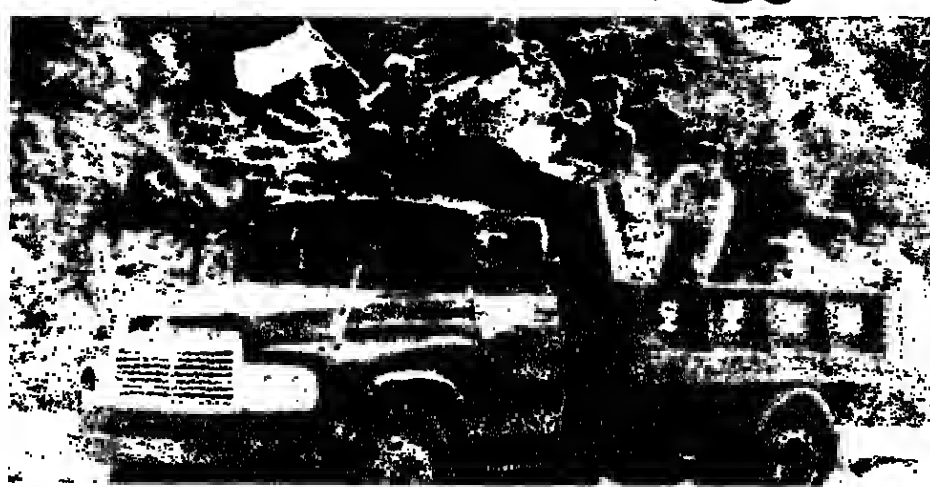
The foreign ministry called for the evacuation of foreigners from Kwangju "as soon as possible." There were believed to be about 20 Americans, including two or three Peace Corps volunteers, here.

Student insurgents on control of the city said a committee of 12 older citizens appointed to help work out a truce with authorities "are not negotiating for us."

In a television statement aimed at the rebels, President Choi Kyu-Hah called anew for a settlement "through dialogue, not through confrontation," and said the government would send in all necessary relief and "provide utmost generosity and not prosecute those who joined the insurgency out of emotion."

"I believe there is nothing we cannot settle through dialogue," Choi said.

But students controlling the main part of Kwangju accused the government of "lying



COMMANDEERED: Protesters ride a commandeered dump truck in Kwangju during the height of anti-government rioting last week. Troops were surrounding the city Monday, apparently preparing to retake it.

to everybody outside" Kwangju and predicted troops encircling the city would try to retake it.

The Kwangju revolt flared a week ago when local university students, demonstrating in favor of democratic reforms and against the government's decision to toughen a seven-month-old martial law decree, battled in the streets with paratroopers and police.

More than 100 persons were killed and hundreds wounded in the clashes that ended

Wednesday when the troops and police withdrew, leaving the city of 800,000 under the insurgents' control.

Students took virtual control of several other cities and towns in the area, but little violence has been reported from those places.

Martial law authorities are demanding the surrender of all weapons looted from police and army posts during the Kwangju uprising — as many as 4,000 guns. Insurgent leaders say some 3,500 weapons have been collected in the provincial headquarters which remain under control of the rebels.

Stay united, Khomeini tells Majlis

TEHRAN, May 26 (AP) — Ayatollah Khomeini and Iranian President Abolhasan Bani-Sadr addressed members of Iran's new parliament as three European socialist leaders and a U.N. envoy visited Tehran to assess the situation of the U.S. hostages.

Khomeini told the deputies, who meet for the first time Wednesday and are to decide the fate of the 53 hostages, to adopt a foreign policy that follows "neither East nor West" and to stay united. "You should discuss, not fight," he said in a recorded speech broadcast Sunday by Tehran Radio. "Even the discussion should be conducted in a mild Islamic manner."

"You should not start by dividing yourselves into factions, as they used to do in former Majlis sessions," he said.

The Islamic Republican Party, which is dominated by hardline Muslim clerics, commands a majority in the new parliament, or Majlis, and many of its representatives are expected to insist some of the hostages be tried as spies.

Bani-Sadr in his speech accused the U.S. government of "continuing to interfere in our domestic affairs" and attacked the Soviet government for intervening against the Muslim rebels in Communist-ruled Afghanistan.

He told the Kremlin it was treating the Afghan nation as a "minor" and that "you are its guardian to protect it against an aggressor. But what greater oppression than the fact that you fail to regard a whole nation as worthy of deciding its own destiny."

Chancellor Bruno Kreisky of Austria, former Prime Minister Olof Palme of Sweden and Felipe Gonzalez, the chief of the Spanish Socialist party, arrived in Tehran Sunday on a "pure information trip" on behalf of the Socialist International, Kreisky said.

The three met with Bani-Sadr and "discussed all aspects of the revolution," Kreisky reported. Palme added: "We discussed all relevant questions."

The three were meeting with officials Monday and indicated they would leave Iran Monday night.

U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim's envoy, Syrian U.N. Ambassador Adib Daoudy, met with Foreign Minister Sadegh Ghotbzadeh and said the U.N. fact-finding commission that visited Iran earlier this year might be allowed to return to Tehran to complete its mission. He did not elaborate.

OPEC ministers eye Special Fund hike

VIENNA, May 26 (AFP) — Finance ministers from the 13-member Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meet here Tuesday to discuss increasing the OPEC "Special Fund" for developing nations.

This fund set up in 1976 with a total of \$2.4 billion should be raised to \$4 billion. OPEC oil ministers urged in Caracas last Dec. 10. But the finance ministers did not reach a firm decision when they met in Vienna on Jan. 16.

According to some experts here the developing countries' oil bill could be \$68 billion this year, a figure that compares with only \$5 billion in 1975.

It is proposed meanwhile to change the fund's name to something like "International Agency for Financial Co-operation and Assistance." The revamped fund would be more flexible in operation.

The finance ministers will not consider oil prices, which will be discussed at the ordinary OPEC meeting in Algiers on June 9.



POWER SKATES: A West German skater demonstrates motorized roller skates in the Wurzburg market. Gas-powered and regulated by a hand-held cable, the skates will do 20 kilometers an hour. They are recommended for experienced skaters because only one shoe is powered.

Foreign compounds chancy

Privilege isn't all roses for Peking's elite

PEKING, May 26 (AP) — The dreaded Mrs. Wang is the nearest thing to the devil in Peking. Strong men quail when she appears on their threshold.

A grinning, red-faced member of the proletariat, Mrs. Wang is supervisor of a compound for about a thousand foreign journalists.

She runs it with glacial indifference to the cries of pain which greet estimates of the high cost of installing kitchen shelves, painting a room, or hooking up air conditioners.

She knows that no matter how much they may complain, there is nowhere else to go. She and her small army of plumbers, carpenters, electricians, painters, garbage collectors and engineers are part of the Diplomatic Services Bureau. They and they alone are allowed to work for the inmates of this walled compound (foreign ghetto, one of three in Peking).

The inhabitants of these ghettos are the spoiled elite of a have-not society. Within the snug cocoons of their guarded and walled compounds, they live in luxury mixed with boredom. If not for Mrs. Wang, many would have little to talk about.

The services bureau coddles, serves and occasionally rips off the estimated 3,000 diplomats, foreign correspondents and their families now in the Chinese capital.

It not only supplies living quarters — apartments of varying size — but also personnel to smooth out life's little worries. These include interpreters, cooks, drivers, maids, office boys and Telex operators. The prospective employer has no choice but to take what he is given and that vary from excellent to dismal. The ghettos abound with horror stories of cooks who can't cook,

drivers who can't drive, interpreters who ought to go back to school.

Nominal monthly salaries range from 180 yuan (\$120 for the most menial tasks to 1,000 yuan (\$666) for the most skilled — nominal because the employee actually takes home only about 60 or 70 yuan. The rest goes into the pocket of the state.

The apartments this bourgeois elite occupy vary widely in size, from 1 to 4 bedrooms, and in expense, from 400 yuan to 1,200 yuan. Though the rooms are often large, heating in some is sporadic, hot water available at the wrong hours, the drains smelly. Phalanxes of cockroaches are in command in the kitchens.

Yet, life can be beautiful. Many of the cooks are masters of their art, able, with little notice, to whip up sumptuous dinners for a dozen guests. Part-time waiters or waitresses are available for about \$15 an evening.

They mix the drinks, empty the ashtrays, pass the snacks and serve the dinner guests with perfect savoir faire. When the affair is over, they wash and clean and leave the apartment sparkling.

If one wishes to entertain out rather than at home, the ghetto has a wide variety of splendid Chinese restaurants from which to choose. The prices also vary, depending on where you sit.

Foreigners almost invariably are taken to a special room, screened off from the hoi polloi in the restaurant. Cries of indignation may ring down the screens, but the price remains the same — from seven to ten times that paid by the Chinese.

In the leading Mongolian restaurant, for example, one American paid 25 yuan for a dinner behind screens which barely equalled

one taken later with Chinese friends, at a cost of three yuan.

Despite all the luxuries, foreigners in Peking find existence can be hazardous or hostile. The hazards do not come from violent crime, which is rare, but from driving in Peking's hilly, crisscrossed streets. These wheeled anarchists ride against the traffic, cut in front of cars, and generally disregard all rules. The adventure acquires zest at night because headlights are forbidden.

Another hazard is the climate. January brings penetrating cold and skin-cracking dryness. Air is poisoned by an outpouring of coal gas which induces wheezes, sniffles, coughs and galloping pneumonia. Spring brings budding trees but also Gobi Desert sandstorms. Summer heat prostrates. Only autumn — long, cool and dreamy — is ideal.

Hostility, never openly apparent, is sensed in the persistent measures to discourage contacts between Chinese and foreign guests.

While reaching out to the West, Chinese newspapers, politicians and bureaucrats continue to remind the Chinese of the dangers of revealing state secrets to foreigners. The impression given is that anyone foreign should be avoided.

Yet many foreigners get to know ordinary Chinese. A command of the language is important but not absolutely essential. Despite warnings from the government, most Chinese are eager to befriend sympathetic foreigners. Like their grandfathers and great grandfathers, they are marvelously inquisitive about the foreign "dabitz" (big nose).

To be the guests of a Chinese in his house is a warming experience. It happens to few foreigners in Peking.

4 named in Abscam indictments

WASHINGTON, May 26, (Newsday) — A federal grand jury last week handed up the first major indictments in the FBI's controversial Abscam investigation, charging three Philadelphia city councilmen and a lawyer with a range of felony crimes that include conspiracy, racketeering and attempted extortion. The indictments were returned in Philadelphia.

The four are accused of obtaining large cash payoffs from FBI undercover agents posing as representatives of Arab businessmen who sought political favors. The three councilmen are said to have promised to use their influence to help the Arabs with the construction of a Philadelphia hotel. The attorney, Howard Criden, is accused of having solicited the money and, in effect, of having brokered the deal.

Lawyers for all four said that their clients would plead innocent to the charges. Richard Ben-Veniste, the lawyer for Criden, went to some lengths to belittle the government's case.

"It sounds like a fantasy engrafted upon a fiction," he said. "There was a fictitious set of investors. There was fictitious hotel construction. And on top of that, there's the fantasy of these fictitious individuals passing out money left and right and then claiming they were extorted."

The indictments were no surprise — one of the councilmen had said five weeks ago that he expected to be indicted in about a month and most defense lawyers assume more will follow. At least seven members of the House of Representatives and one senator also have been implicated in the probe, and prosecutors reportedly are presenting evidence against most of them to grand juries here and in New York.

The indictments, however, are the first official buttressing of some of the allegations that have appeared in the press since February, in which public officials have been accused, on the basis of unnamed sources, of trading their official influence for cash payments.

In addition to Criden, who is charged with soliciting \$18,000 for his role in the transactions, those charged are:

— George Schwartz, the Philadelphia city council president, charged with having accepted \$30,000 in payoffs.

— Harry Jannotti, the council's majority leader, charged with having accepted \$10,000.

— Louis Johanson, a council member and a law partner of Criden's, charged with having accepted \$25,000.

The council members, all Democrats, were in key positions to influence zoning decisions and do other official favors for businessmen attempting to locate in the city. In this regard, the case is similar to allegations against the members of Congress, who are said to have obtained cash payments in some cases as much as \$50,000 — after promising to use their influence on behalf of a fictitious Arab sheik.

While the indictments were expected, some of the charges they contained were not. Both Ben-Veniste, a former prosecutor in the Watergate case, and Clayton Undercoffler, a former federal prosecutor in Philadelphia, said they were surprised that the government charged the men with attempted extortion, since the whole operation was, in effect, started by the government itself.

"I'm surprised by it," Undercoffler said. "I think it raises real questions of whether there is any interference in interstate commerce, which that statute requires."

The decision to indict Criden also could complicate the government's case against several of the congressmen, since prosecutors originally had hoped to use the lawyer — said to have introduced some of the congressmen to the undercover agents — as a government witness in those cases. It was Criden, for example, who is said to have accepted FBI cash on behalf of Representative Frank Thompson of New Jersey, and Representative John V. Murphy of New York, and prosecutors had wanted him to testify to that effect.

By several accounts, however, Criden refused to cooperate unless granted full immunity from prosecution, and in the end the government refused to accept that sort of bargain.

A question raised by this is whether the government now will be able to use information that Criden is said to have furnished voluntarily on the day he first was contacted by the FBI and asked about his role in the scheme.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazem

A week ago in New York's West Astoria hotel, the twenty fifth "Israeli Fashion Show" was held. It fits go to Israel. The show is only thousands of such activities through Israel supports its tottering economy. This particular occasion, all had to buy a minimum of a dollar's worth of Israeli government bonds in addition to paying a twenty dollar entrance fee. All the work was done by the show was donated by enthusiastic Zionists — fashion models, designers, comperes and so forth, all for free. The show, it was claimed, million dollars. Some of brighter in politics and society were in attendance. And all this is but a modest sample, multiplied, as we said, thousands of if the extent of the activities on Israel is to be depicted. Zionism is not a slouch when it comes to its supporters for its cause.

The details above are all culled from several newspaper cuttings sent Arab student. With them came a of himself standing alone in front great hotel on the night, with a reading "Palestine is Arab." He is dreds of people came and went as there picketing the meeting, he seemed to spare him a glance. The man expressed his sorrow and with the thousands of Arabs living in New York none saw fit to join him in to stand up to the powerful Zionists. It seems that it will never be over its divisions, its lack of organization, its sheer carelessness. The win American public opinion, all important. But nothing much be done about it.

I agree with the young friends he says, except, perhaps, on his. For, looking at his action in alone, and in the face of such indifference from both his own side and the opposition, I cannot but feel "Our side" contains people like him of then, perhaps, than he in his pointment might allow. And the seed of hope for future effectiveness give an example.

There is the redoubtable Dr. mad Mehdi who, tirelessly, and w tory of disappointment behind him, still call for a demonstration to mark the Dair Yassin massacre of 10th. He would formally apply to York police for permission, broad intention far and wide to all the New York, and then get no handful of companions. Yet he tries again, in the hope that one Yassin would be commemorated, by a real, not a symbolic, action.

Translated by Ashraf Al Aw

Chinese farm haul away stone from Great Wall

PEKING, May 26 (AP) — The of China, a stupendous ancient feat successful at keeping out nomad barians, is not standing up well against farmers needing stones to build pens.

The Peking Daily reported Sunday the 190 kilometers of Great Wall through Peking, more than 50 already have been wrecked, and central government officials emergency meeting last Thursday. The people who take the stones slogans to justify their action: "Of erials Locally" and "Use the Past to Present."

Much of the paper's front devoted to a report of the emergency, a call for clear rewards and penalties for maintaining or wrecking the tions of damage done and government on preservation relics.

The Peking Daily called the ter wall, begun more than 2,000 years ago, a crystallization of the wisdom China's laborers.

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